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## Yoshida Rouses Sharp Criticism On China Policy

### INJURY TO A BALANCED ECONOMY FEARED

Tokyo, Jan. 17.

The Premier's decision to ignore Red China and treat with the Chinese Nationalists has aroused sharp criticism from both business circles and the political Left.

Mr Yoshida's position was made known yesterday with the publication of a letter he wrote on December 24 to Ambassador John Foster Dulles.

The letter, in effect, answers fears raised by some U.S. Senators that ratification of the treaty, leaving Japan independent, would leave them free to make a deal with Red China.

But the letter also touches off opposition in Japan. Mr. Mosaburo Suzuki, chairman of the opposition Socialist Party declared in a statement that such policy meant abandoning hopes of a self-sustained economy and peace in Asia.

Japan and Britain cannot be self-supporting without trading with Russia and Communist China, he said.

Japanese businessmen, who declined to be quoted by name, said a complete breach with Red China would call for new American assistance. Isolation from Red China would have no immediate trade effect, however, because only one per cent of Japan's exports goes there now.

What they fear is the loss of a potential source of cheap iron and coal, which both Red China and Russia want to provide.

Mr Yoshida said in his letter Japan "has no intention" of signing a treaty with Red China.

On the other hand, he said he was prepared "as soon as legally possible" to conclude a treaty with Nationalist China.

#### CONFERENCE OPENED

At the letter was made public, Japan and Nationalist China opened a conference in Tokyo aimed at expanding trade between them.

Li-Chen Ho, Sui-lai head of the Nationalist Liaison in Tokyo, issued a statement saying he had never lost faith that a treaty would be signed. He praised "the far-sighted statesmanship of Premier Yoshida."

There were hints, however, that there might not be smooth

sailing in relations with Nationalist China. Foreign Office sources pointed out that Mr. Yoshida's letter said the treaty would apply to all territories which are now, or which may hereafter be, under Nationalist China.

Some diplomatic quarters thought this might dampen Nationalist China's enthusiasm for concluding a treaty. Chiang Kai-shek's government on Formosa maintains it is the only legal government for all China.

#### NO COMMENT

Washington, Jan. 16. Mr. John Foster Dulles, to whom the Japanese assurances were given, declined to comment. Senator John Sparkman put Mr. Yoshida's offer to Mr. Dulles into the Congressional record. He told the Senate that the Japanese Premier's action was "an act of courage."

Mr. Sparkman, just back from Japan, admitted that there probably were people in Japan at variance with Yoshida's views in the matter.

Senator William Knowland, California Republican, said Yoshida had eliminated to a large extent "certain objections" to Senate ratification of the Treaty.

"I believe there is no reason now why the Japanese Treaty should not be promptly ratified by the Senate," Mr. H. Alexander Smith said that "as the Senate begins consideration of the Peace Treaty, it is most important for us to have the Japanese government policy statement which the Yoshida letter gives us. It has increased our confidence in the intentions of Japan when once again that great country becomes a free, independent, sovereign State and joins other peace-loving democracies of the world."—Associated Press.

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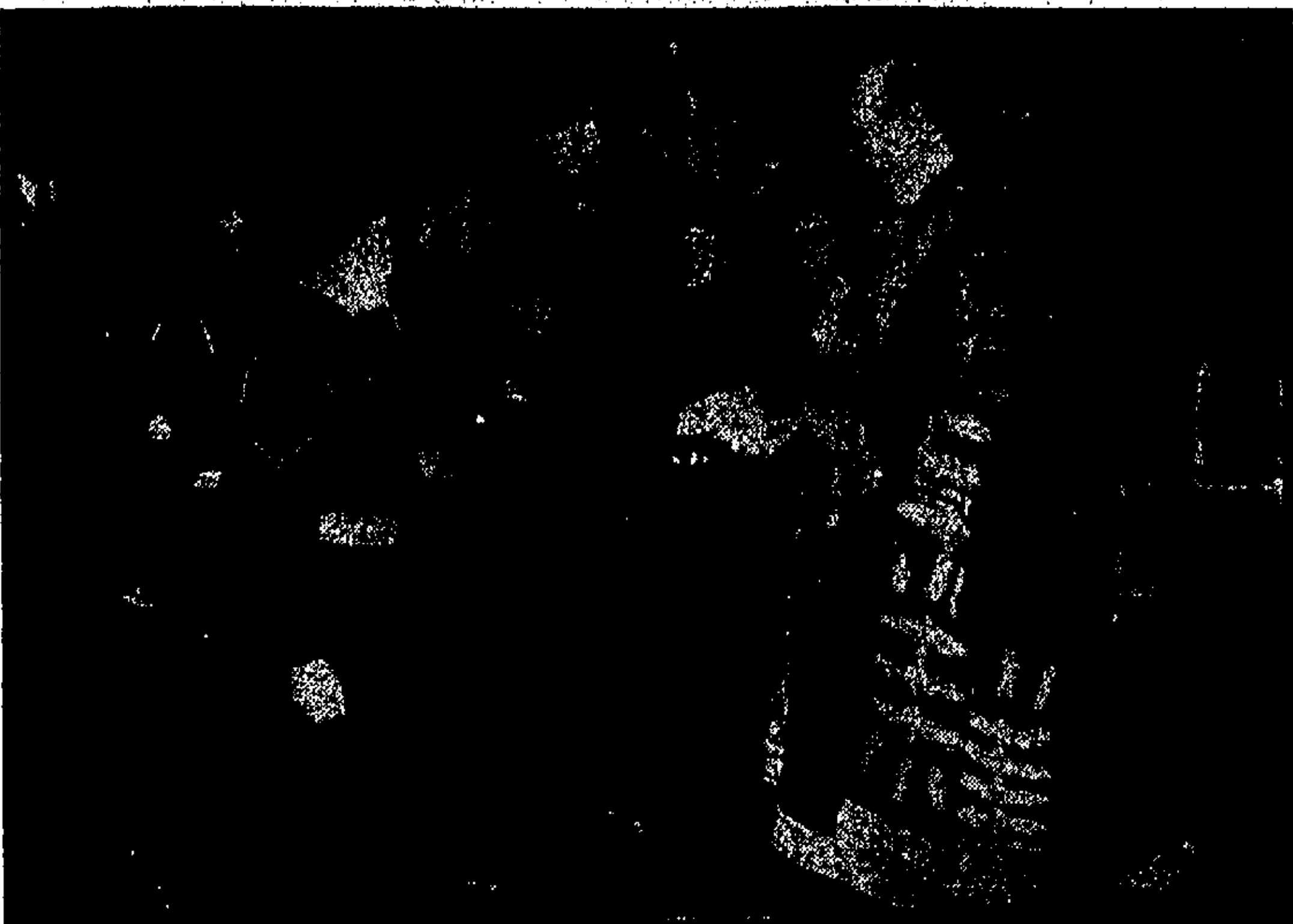
#### COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Japan's Relations With China

SWIFT indications of dissatisfaction with the Yoshida declaration of policy concerning relations with China, given both in political and industrial quarters, are hardly surprising. The Japanese Premier's opponents have long been expressing the fear that the peace treaty and the security pact with the United States would tie down Japan too closely on the two crucial issues of rearmament and associations with China, and Yoshida's letter to John Foster Dulles is regarded as justifying all suspicions. In actual fact, of course, Mr Yoshida has distinctly hedged. An offer to conclude a bilateral treaty with the Chiang Kai-shek regime restricts its operation to territories under the control, now and in the future, of the Taiwan Administration. The refusal to enter into relations with Communist China leaves some loophole. While Yoshida set out several reasons to explain the decision, it is more than likely that a more cogent reason—which he failed to mention—is the desire of Japan to avoid a final commitment on the China question until Britain and the United States seem prepared to run a course following more parallel lines. If only because Japan's economic interests would undoubtedly acclaim any opening of the door to trading arrangements with Communist China. On this score, it is reasonably certain that the Yoshida Government will collide with increasing pressure from within Japan. With troubles in his own party, the Premier could deal easily enough if his position in the country were as strong as it is in the Diet. But a wave of reaction is spreading fast. The first feeling of uneasiness at the Japanese terms of the reconciliation peace treaty has been

replaced by a growing realization of the economic difficulties Japan now faces. The difficulties are aggravated in the eyes of Yoshida's opponents by severance of contact with territories which formerly provided them with invaluable raw materials for promoting the export trade which Japan, like Britain, must develop to maintain even present living standards—and also provided a safety-valve for a too rapidly expanding population. Japanese business men are happy to trade with Taiwan, as with any other part of the world, but they insist that to avert economic stress, trade must be extended to the mainland. Cheap coal and iron ore are themselves essential to a sound economic balance, and figures showing the extent of Japanese exports to mainland China and Manchuria prior to the Pacific War tell their own story of the effect of a self-imposed vacuum. Nobody argues that any other Government in Japan could have performed with greater credit, but the Yoshida Cabinet's popularity will inevitably suffer more and more from a general sense of disillusion. Until the peace treaty comes into force, Japan cannot be wholly free. This is bound to make the task of the Government difficult and the interregnum may conceivably last for some time. Hitherto, of the signatories only Britain and the Argentine have ratified the treaty. And while the Yoshida policy statement was clearly designed to stimulate the United States to similar action, there remains a long way to go. Meantime, dissensions within his own party, likely to be exacerbated by the policy declaration, are not calculated to make life easier.

## Chatham Cadets Visit Lord Mayor



The Lord Mayor of London (Sir Leslie Boyce) with the Lady Mayoress, receiving the party of Royal Marine cadets who were involved in the tragic bus accident at Chatham. The cadets took part in the children's fancy dress party at the Mansion House held last week. The Lord Mayor is shaking hands with Sergt John Bishop, aged fourteen. (Central Press).

## How To Revive The Sterling Area As Going Concern

London, Jan. 16.

The Commonwealth Ministers today met for their third session in the conference to discuss how to revive the Sterling area as a going concern.

Secrecy is being strictly maintained about the subjects under discussion, apparently because they involve internal budgetary action by all Commonwealth governments if they agree on harsh measures proposed by Britain to protect the Sterling area.

If an agreement is reached on short term measures, the conference is expected to turn to survey permanent machinery to avoid a recurrence of the Sterling crisis which has cropped up like a hardy annual since the war.

Conference sources said the British endeavour now was to try to formulate a Sterling area policy which would stop the ap-

parent desire of some Commonwealth members to escape its restrictions.

All members are being asked to attack their current unbalanced payments by methods of deflation in domestic economies as well as reduction of their imports. These suggestions apparently involve questions of trade liberalisation and tariffs, which conference sources said would have to be referred to next month's meeting of members of the General Agreement on Trade and Tariffs (GATT).—United Press.

#### U.S. VERDICT

New York, Jan. 16. A New York Times editorial commenting on the British Commonwealth conference in London said today that "this time Sterling crisis since the war will require more difficult decisions than either of its predecessors for the simple reason that the situation is more serious."

"In 1947 the problem was purely one of a British dollar shortage, which led to pound devaluation embraced not only Britain but the Sterling area as a whole. But on that occasion, like the first, the problem could at least be stated in terms of Sterling and dollars."

"The present situation is more complicated. Not only has Britain's position worsened vis-a-vis the rest of the Sterling area but the Sterling area, in turn, now finds itself out of balance not only with the dollar area but with continental Europe and the non-Sterling world as a whole."

"It is obvious that the problem has now reached a point where it urgently calls for a complete re-examination of the structural foundations on which the 'Sterling area' rests."—United Press.

## All Safe After Air Crash In Snow

Edmonton, Alberta, Jan. 16. A United States Air Force C-47 transport crashed in a snow-covered field 40 miles south of here today and slipped over on its back, but Royal Canadian Air Force rescue officers said the 14 persons aboard escaped injury. United Press.

## Warders' New Turn In Job

Teheran, Jan. 16.

Warders guarding the Gaste Prison near Teheran have found that their job has taken an unexpected turn.

Instead of preventing those inside from getting out, they are now defending the prison gates from growing crowds which want to get in. Two days ago, some 100 members of the Federal Salam Organisation broke into prison to protest against the imprisonment of their leader, Navab Safavi, who has been detained for several months.

Since then, they have been issuing a stream of communiques and refusing to budge. Warders have so far managed to keep out an ever-increasing number of would-be prisoners.—France-Press.

## Argentine Talk Of Oil Bargain

Buenos Aires, Jan. 16. Argentina plans to redress her oil shortage by importing petroleum from Persia in her own tankers, reports here said.

If the barter talks now under way are successful she will send farm products to Persia in exchange for oil, the reports added.

Petrol rationing was introduced throughout Argentina at the beginning of this month.

The semi-official Press said that the shortage was due to the Anglo-Persian crisis.—Reuter.

## Pleasant Surprise For Boys In Korea

With The Commonwealth Division, Korea, Jan. 16.

Battle veterans gaped today when two English women walked into their quarters, said hello and began arranging bowls of flowers.

The women, the first to be attached to the Commonwealth Division in Korea, began duty today at the Division's rest centre.

They are Miss Hilda Wood, 30, of Derby, and Miss Patricia Whittall, 32, of Prince's Gate, London—members of the Women's Voluntary Service. Both women said today, "Everyone seems most surprised to see us."

Miss Wood and Miss Whittall flew from England and this week from Fusan, Southern Korea, to join the staff of a forward rest centre.

They will supervise the welfare of the Commonwealth troops who come from front-line areas to the picturesque seaside centre, formerly a luxury resort for high-ranking Japanese naval officers for a five-day rest.

## COLDSTREAMS CAPTURE CAIRO GENERAL

### Sudden Swoop By Troops On "Village Of Thugs"

Tel El Kebir, Jan. 16.

British troops "captured" an Egyptian general and 160 police when they swooped today on suspected sniper hide-outs near the scene of last week-end's Tel El Kebir battle.

Coldstream Guardsmen marched off General Mohammed Abdullah Raouf, Chief of Police, from the Egyptian Ministry of the Interior, and his staff from Police Headquarters in the centre of El Hammada.

In raids on two villages the British seized a large stock of arms and ammunition. They found "enough arms to equip a company" at El Hammada Police headquarters, according to Major E. F. Robbins, Assistant Provost Marshal of Tel El Kebir Garrison.

But by mid-afternoon the troops had not discovered one definitely identifiable sniper. They had apparently all fled after the week-end battle, leaving the local people to face the British Army.—Reuter.

#### TO BE DETAINED

Suez, Jan. 16. The British authorities tonight announced that they had detained Maj-General Mohammed Abdullah Raouf, who is Inspector General of the Egyptian police administration. General Sir George Erskine's Chief of Staff, Brigadier Robin Goldsmith, said all police found in the village of Hammada except for a small group selected to help maintain order would be detained until a full inquiry had been made.

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#### HOSTILE INTENT

"The normal complement of police in a village of this size is ten or 20 and El Hammada recently has been reinforced to the total found there today by orders of the Egyptian Ministry of the Interior," said Brigadier Goldsmith. "This reinforcement obviously was made with hostile intentions towards us."

Five Egyptians were killed as the steel-helmeted British troops, supported by tanks and armoured cars, went into action. The dead included three policemen.

Another Egyptian was wounded in brief skirmishes as the Guards moved in at dawn for a house-to-house search for Egyptians who two days ago killed two British soldiers of Cameron Highlanders.

As meteor jets swept over the mudbrick houses at almost tree-top level, armoured cars, tanks and jeeps carrying infantry, raced through the sleeping village to block escape routes.—United Press.

#### STERLING BALANCE

London, Jan. 16. The Egyptian government has asked the British government to pay a sum of £15,000,000 in accordance with an undertaking in the Anglo-Egyptian Agreement on sterling balances, it was learned at the Treasury here tonight.

Well-informed circles stated that the British government had decided to pay a sum of £25,000,000 under Article III of the Treaty but that so far no decision had been taken concerning the other £10,000,000 referred to.—France-Press.

## ALEXANDER READY FOR NEW POST

Ottawa, Jan. 16.

The Governor-General of Canada, Viscount Alexander, will leave Ottawa in about a fortnight for London to receive a Cabinet post, it was learned here tonight.

Informed sources said that the date of Viscount Alexander's departure would be announced shortly by Buckingham Palace.

His terms as Governor-General expires in August, but ever since Mr Churchill's visit to Canada, it has been rumoured that he would be given a high Cabinet post.

Viscount Alexander's arrival in Britain would practically coincide with that of the Prime Minister, who is due to board the "Queen Mary" in New York on January 23.

Although no successor has yet been named to replace Viscount Alexander, it is believed that the appointment of a Canadian citizen for the post of Governor-General is likely.—France-Press.

## Churchill And Truman To Meet Again

Washington, Jan. 16.

The White House tonight announced that President Truman and the British Prime Minister, Mr Winston Churchill, will meet again on Friday afternoon. The announcement said that the meeting would be held in the White House in the presence of American and British advisers.

President Truman, it was believed, was ready to re-enter the Presidential race this year, according to Senator Clinton Anderson, who made this statement to the press following an interview with President Truman, but added that the Chief of State had not informed him of his intentions.—France-Press.

#### BRITAIN REFUSES

Teheran, Jan. 16.

Britain bluntly rejected today an Iranian demand to close all nine British Consulates in the country.—Associated Press.

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## THREAT TO "FIGHT TO THE END"

Red Truce Delegate  
In Angry Mood

Munsan, Jan. 17.  
United Nations truce  
negotiators brushed aside  
a Communist threat on  
Wednesday "to fight to the  
end" in Korea if the Allies  
dared to turn over 20,000  
Chinese Red prisoners to  
Chiang Kai-shek's Army on  
Formosa.

The UN denied any such  
intent.  
Although the armistice  
negotiations at Panmunjom  
were only suspended, delegates  
are due to reconvene at 11.00  
a.m. today.

The Formosa threat was  
hurled by Red Chinese Col.  
Tsai Cheng-wen, Senior Staff  
Officer for prisoner exchange.  
Col. Tsai declared "If any-  
body dares to hand over any  
personnel of the Chinese  
People's Volunteers to the  
deadly enemy of the Chinese  
people, Chiang Kai-shek, the  
Chinese people will fight to the  
end."

An Allied briefing officer,  
however, denied the Allies had  
any intention of delivering any  
Chinese prisoners directly to  
Chiang's Nationalists.

The officer, Navy Lt. Walter  
J. Ellis, said if any Chinese  
chose to go to Formosa instead  
of back to Red China under  
voluntary repatriation, they  
would be handed over to a  
neutral international organiza-  
tion for final disposition.—Associated Press.

## AIR BASE FOR NEWFOUNDLAND

St. John's, Jan. 16.

A new military project cost-  
ing several million dollars is  
being constructed a few miles  
from here for the United States  
Air Force.

It includes warehouses, mess  
halls, barracks, administration  
offices and workshops.—Reuter.

## FIVE-YEAR-OLD'S BIG MOMENT



Dressed in naval uniform, a five-year-old Greek  
boy proudly shakes the hand of King Paul of Greece  
during the latter's recent visit to the naval base of  
Aspropyrgos, near Athens.—Express Picture.

## Bowles Plan For More Aid To India Frowned Upon

Washington, Jan. 16.  
The United States Ambassador to India, Mr. Ches-  
ter Bowles, suggested to the Senate Foreign Relations  
Committee today a four-year \$1,000 million programme  
of economic aid to India, but Chairman Tom Connally  
promptly snapped, "I'm against it."

Mr. Bowles stressed that the proposal was his own  
idea and not an Administration proposition.

Half the money would be a  
loan and half a gift to India,  
said Mr. Bowles, who reviewed  
the Indian situation in a closed  
session with the Committee.

"I'm against another \$1,000  
million being dumped into India,"  
said Mr. Connally.

"We've got some people here  
at home paying heavy taxes,"  
Mr. Connally, who is a Texas  
Democrat, said.

"Unless I change my mind I'm  
not in favour of it," he added.  
Mr. Connally said that Mr.  
Bowles told the Committee that  
the \$190,000,000 grain loan  
granted to India last year would  
be repaid if India succeeded in  
strengthening her whole econ-  
omy.

Mr. Connally charged that  
Prime Minister Jawaharlal  
Nehru of India was not friendly  
to the United States.

Mr. Connally said Mr. Bowles  
started in response to questions  
that Britain was doing very  
little for India.

Mr. Connally quoted Mr.  
Bowles as saying that although  
India had recognised Red China  
it was not favourably inclined  
towards the Red regime and was  
fearful of it.

The formal statement by Mr.  
Connally said that the Amba-  
sador told the Committee that  
Russia's position in India "had  
dropped sharply in recent  
months, India becoming increas-  
ingly aware of the aggressive  
intent of the Soviet and of  
China's designs to the south."

However, he said, Communism  
was gaining some ground among  
certain groups of Indian youth.

**GREAT TRIUMPH**  
Mr. Bowles outlined the  
operation of the \$190,000,000  
loan authorised by Congress  
last year to relieve famine in  
India. It would help 1,500  
villages in the next year or two.

"It will be a great triumph  
throughout Asia if India can  
continue to make progress in  
the democratic way and achieve

a rising standard of living," Mr.  
Bowles said.

He also described the Indian  
Government's work to boost  
food production by irrigation,  
land reclamation and more in-  
tensive farming.

This programme, he said,  
aimed at producing all the food  
India needed at the end of five  
years.

India's electoral system, at  
present conducting a month-  
long election, was working  
well, Mr. Bowles said.—United  
Press.

## CHILLY

## RECEPTION FOR TRUMAN'S TAX INCREASE CALL

Washington, Jan. 16.  
Congress gave a chilly reception today to Pres-  
ident Truman's call for upwards of five billion  
dollars more in taxes in this election year.

The general attitude was that something  
might be done in the way of closing "loopholes"  
to pick up additional revenue, but that Congress  
was in no mood to enact another general tax in-  
crease.

House Speaker Sam Rayburn  
(Democrat-Texas), whose posi-  
tion makes him one of President  
Truman's legislative lieutenants,  
told reporters that in his opinion  
Congress will not vote any sub-  
stantial increase in taxes this  
year.

Senator Walter George (De-  
mocrat-Georgia), Chairman of  
the Tax-Writing Senate Finance  
Committee said, "I am not in  
favour of any general tax in-  
crease."

Last October, after Congress  
voted a \$5,000,000,000 in-  
crease, Senator George declared  
he would not support any fur-  
ther general tax boost unless  
there was an all-out war.—  
Associated Press.

### TRUMAN'S WARNING

Washington, Jan. 16.  
President Truman in his an-  
nual economic report to Con-  
gress today warned the United  
States that it is due for a sharp  
drop in the supply of metal-  
using consumer goods during  
the coming calendar year.

The President said: "A reduc-  
tion of more than 20 per cent  
in the total output of consumer  
supplies—housing, cars and  
appliances—from the 1951 level  
is indicated by the materials  
allocations for the first quarter  
of 1952."

He added, "In addition, it will  
be necessary to reduce the total  
of private and public non-  
defence construction (other than  
residential) about 15 per cent  
below the 1951 level and some  
types by much more even if  
copper is used sparingly."

The President reported that  
there will be considerably less  
steel, copper and aluminium  
available for non-defence uses  
this year than in the last.

The sharpest drop in metal  
supplies will be in aluminium.

The President said that there  
would be about 25 per cent less  
aluminium available for non-  
military uses this year than in  
1951, bringing the supplies of  
that metal to one-third below  
the 1949 level.

### IN 12 MONTHS

Steel supplies for non-military  
uses would still be some 15 per  
cent above the 1949 level and  
not much under the level of  
the last two years.

The report added, "However,  
military requirement will im-  
pinge much more severely on

## FIRST U.S. ENVOY TO JAPAN?

Washington, Jan. 16.

President Truman was report-  
ed today to have been chosen  
Robert Daniel Murphy, Amba-  
sador to Belgium, to be Amba-  
sador to Japan after the Japan-  
ese Peace Treaty is ratified.

The White House has not in-  
dicated when it will send the  
appointment to the Senate for  
confirmation.

Authoritative sources said  
this is likely to await Senate  
ratification of the Peace Treaty.  
The Senate Foreign Relations  
Committee is expected to begin  
hearings on the Peace Treaty next week.

Mr. Murphy has been Amba-  
sador to Belgium since Septem-  
ber 1949. Prior to that he was  
political advisor to General  
Lucius Clay when the latter was  
in command of American mili-  
tary force in Western Germany.

He is a career diplomat, hav-  
ing entered the diplomatic ser-  
vice as a vice-consul in 1920.

Since then he has held a wide  
range of diplomatic posts in  
various parts of the world.

He is 58 and is married. He  
was born in Milwaukee.—As-  
sociated Press.

## Queensland Has A Complaint

Brisbane, Jan. 16.

North Queenslanders believe  
they are getting a "raw deal"  
in the arrangements for the  
coming Royal Tour.

Townsville officials estimated  
that Princess Elizabeth and the  
Duke of Edinburgh will spend  
115 hours in South Queensland  
and only six and a quarter hours  
in the North.

Royal Tour officials said that  
the Queensland tour was so  
brief that several cities had to  
be disappointed.—Reuter.

## King Of Siam's Objection

Bangkok, Jan. 16.

The King of Thailand has ex-  
pressed objections to a provi-  
sion in the new constitution  
which empowers the Govern-  
ment, and not the King, to order  
troop movements, which is con-  
trary to the previous constitu-  
tion.

This explains the King's de-  
lay in returning the new con-  
stitution, submitted to him last  
Friday. The King may propose  
further changes in the constitu-  
tion.—France-Press.

## Atomic Clock Nearly Ready

New York, Jan. 16.  
A Japanese scientist is  
completing work on an  
atomic clock which will  
be perfectly invariable and  
constant, the New York  
Journal of Commerce re-  
ported.

It is so contrived as to  
standardize time by mak-  
ing use of the wave  
frequency absorbed by  
atoms.

This will be the second  
such timepiece in the  
world. The first was com-  
pleted as an experiment  
by the United States Na-  
tional Bureau of Standards  
in 1948.—Reuter.

## A Unique Honour For Churchill

Washington, Jan. 16.

Prime Minister Winston  
Churchill, staunch champion  
of the British Empire, was  
invested today as hereditary  
member of the Society of  
Cincinnati, whose members  
are descended from officers  
who fought and won the  
war of independence against  
Britain.

Mr. Churchill was eligible for  
membership because he is the  
great, great-grandson and eldest  
male descendant of Reuben  
Murray of Connecticut. He is  
related to Murray through his  
American mother, Jennie  
Jerome.

The British Prime Minister  
said he deeply valued his mem-  
bership in the Society and  
would frame his membership  
certificate for his own descen-  
dants.

He said, "As history unfolds  
itself by strange and unpredict-  
able paths, we have little con-  
trol over the future and none  
at all over the past. When  
events took place which this  
Society commemorates I may  
say I was on both sides in the  
war between us."

Today, he recalled that one of  
Britain's greatest statesmen,  
William Pitt—the Elder who  
later became Lord Chatham, had  
proclaimed the justice of the  
American cause in the War of  
Independence.

Mr. Churchill quoted Pitt's  
words that "If I were an Ameri-  
can as I am an Englishman, and  
foreign troops were landed in  
my country, I would never lay  
down my arms, never, never."

**PROUD OF ANCESTRY**  
The British Prime Minister  
said: "These are the kind of  
words which roll along centuries  
and play their part in wiping out  
the bitterness of former quar-  
rels."

He was proud of his Ameri-  
can ancestry and hoped that to-  
day the ceremony might fur-  
ther cement the Anglo-Ameri-  
can friendship. This friendship  
resulted in forces "that are, in  
my opinion, irresistible."

Mr. Churchill was introduced  
to the Society by Major Gen.  
Edgar Erskine Hume, US Army  
veteran and the Society's presi-  
dent. General Hume was recent-  
ly in charge of medical services  
for the UN forces in Korea  
where he treated the Prime  
Minister's eldest son, Randolph.

The ceremony took place in  
the Anderson House which is  
the headquarters of the Society.  
The guests included Vice-Presi-  
dent Alben Barkley, Chief  
Justice Fred Vinson, who is a  
member of the Society, Defense  
Secretary Robert Lovett, Ameri-  
can Ambassador to Britain Wal-  
ter Gifford, British Ambassador  
Sir Oliver Franks, Common-  
wealth Ambassadors, and mem-  
bers of Mr. Churchill's staff.—  
United Press.

## Death Toll Now Up To 50

Trivandrum, Jan. 16.

The death toll in the explo-  
sion on Monday at Abari Mall  
in Travancore State, has in-  
creased to 50, according to un-  
official sources.

About 250 persons were in-  
jured. The police had placed  
deaths at 35.—United Press.

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## Staggering Losses Of Vietnam

### FRENCH VICTORY ON BLACK RIVER

Hanoi, Jan. 16. Communist and Vietminh losses in the six-week-old battle of the Black River have passed the 22,000 mark, General Raoul Salan, acting French commander, announced here today.

General Salan placed confirmed French casualties at 5,600 killed, 14,000 wounded and 1,300 taken prisoner. Franco-Vietnamese losses for the period were 2,300 made up of 572 killed, 1,000 wounded and 780 missing in action.

The French commander, who became acting senior officer in Indo-China when the late Marshal Jean de Lattre de Tassigny left last month, disclosed the figures at a Press conference at French Headquarters, which moved here last week from Saigon.

As for the present situation, in which the Communists have mounted their largest assault of the six-year-old war against Hou Binh, 20 miles southwest of here, General Salan said his troops had thrown the Reds back with tremendous losses.

#### NOT QUITTING

"We are at Hou Binh and we do not have any intention of quitting it," he said. He added that, if necessary, all of the effective French Union forces in Indo-China would be thrown against the Communists.

Since the Vietminh push on the Hou Binh defence perimeter began in early December, General Salan said, the Reds have used 40,000 regular troops and pushed an equal number of conscripts into the fray at the first lot of cannon fodder.

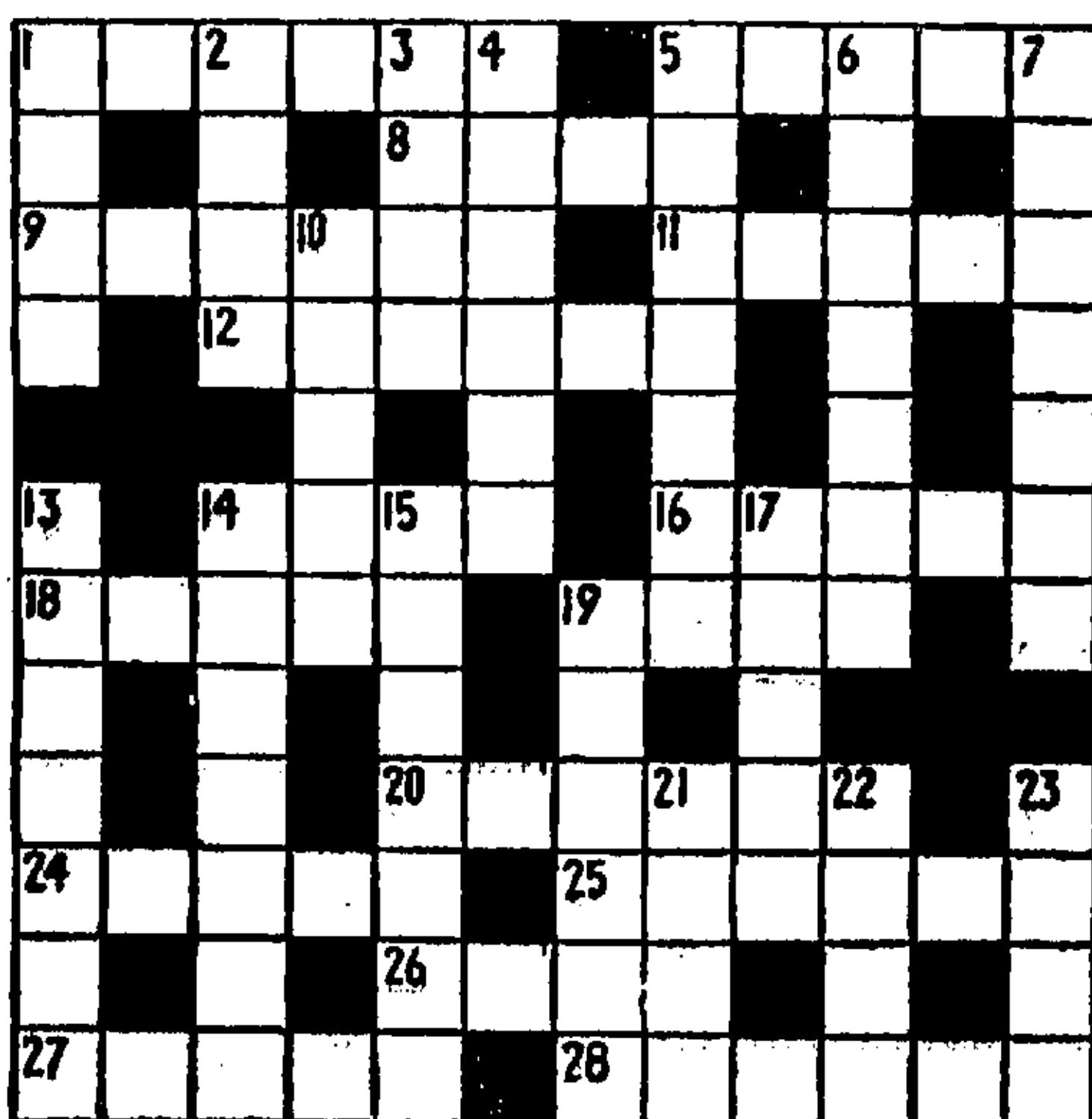
Vietminh attempts to extend the French Union's lines of communications have not succeeded and his troops retained the strategic advantage and free access to the front lines—United Press.

## Katyn Forest Massacre

Washington, Jan. 16. A special committee of the House of Representatives will open a public hearing on Feb. 4 on the Katyn Forest massacre in Russia in which 4,000 Polish officers were alleged to have been killed during the second world war.

The committee decided to reject a proposal by its chairman, Mr. Ray Madden, Democrat from Indiana, that the investigation should include a hearing on alleged atrocities by Communist troops against American soldiers in Korea—France-Press.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



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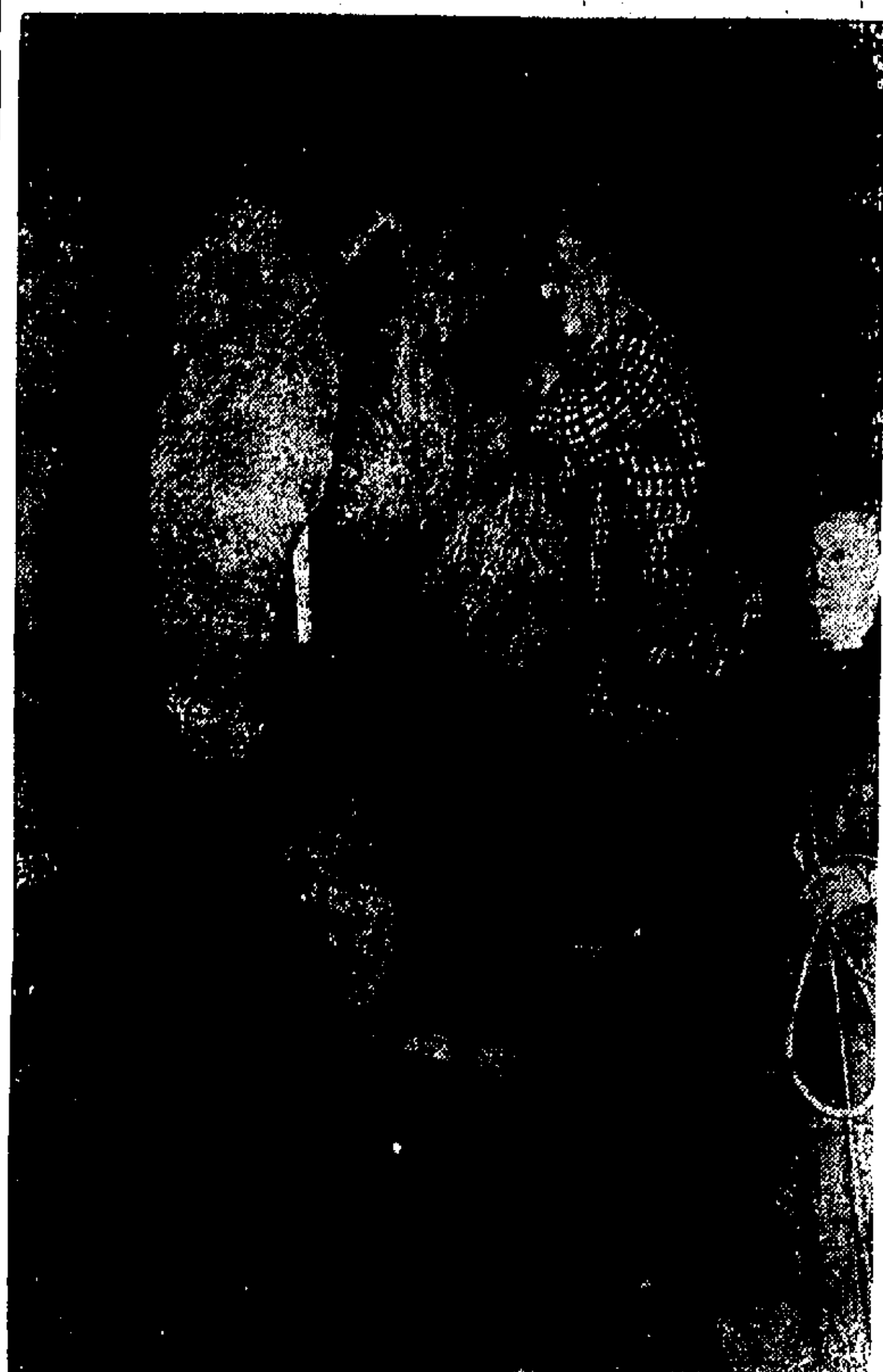
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- 3 Expression (4).
- 4 Jacket (8).
- 5 Fool (6).
- 11 Portray (6).
- 14 Wagers (4).
- 16 Hardpan (5).
- 18 Top (4).
- 20 Allow (6).
- 24 Spire (5).
- 25 Denure (4).
- 26 Slip sideways (4).
- 27 Numeral (5).
- 28 Extreme fright (6).

#### DOWN

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- 2 Hastened (4).
- 3 Pace (4).
- 4 Cycle (8).
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- 6 Smothered (7).
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- 14 Flaps (7).
- 16 Storm (7).
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- 22 Rip (4).
- 23 A do (4).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1 Basic, 4 Stages, 6 Agenda, 10 Image, 12 Adroit, 13 Deserve, 17 Nest, 19 Al-lusion, 20 Profound, 24 Lure, 26 Castles, 27 Altos, 28 Cater, 30 Ermine, 31 Darned, 32 Basic, 33 Down: 1 Brand, 2 Steps, 3 Cedar, 4 Tilt, 6 Grated, 7 Edicts, 9 Advance, 11 Minuet, 13 Release, 15 Serv, 16 Waste, 18 Gaze, 20 Placid, 21 Orator, 24 Rite, 25 Lure, 26 Began, 28 Trial.

## Jumbo Hears A Secret



"Little Billie," one of the clowns, whispers into the ear of "Jennie," one of the elephants, during rehearsals at Ascot, in England, for a forthcoming circus. — Express Picture.

## U.S. Planes Hammer Reds' Rear Areas

Seoul, Jan. 17. U.S. Sabre jets on Wednesday tangled with Communist jets in three battles involving almost 140 jets and damaged two of the swift red-nosed enemy MIG's.

On the ground, Allied raiding parties engaged with Chinese troops in inconclusive fighting on the Western Front. The mercury rose to the low 40's, but snow still covered the bleak, 145-mile front.

The air battles were again concentrated in the clear cold skies of "MIG Alley," high over Northwest Korea. In all, 58 Sabre jets engaged about 80 MIG's.

The Reds put 120 MIG's into the air in one of the actions, but these only exchanged firing passes with the American planes.

The clear skies gave Allied armistice negotiators good chance to hammer Red communications, and they took advantage of it.

A U.S. Air Force spokesman said Communist rail lines were

## One Man—& The Courage To Live On

London, Jan. 16. Cheerful 60-year-old Gerry Fitzgerald goes into a London clinic for his 30th operation.

When they wheel him back to his room after the surgeons have finished, they will put a recording machine on his bedside table.

And half an hour after he comes round he will grab the mouthpiece and begin dictating letters.

"Never give in" is the philosophy of this Los Angeles business man.

They said he would be a permanent invalid when he was wounded in World War I. In a few years he was playing tennis.

They said he wouldn't live after a plane smash in 1948 which broke every bone in his body except his spine.

For months he was in bed. For years he hobbled on crutches. He flew the Atlantic 25 times for treatment here.

Now he uses only one stick—and hopes to "throw that away soon."

Operation No. 30 is only a preparation for Operation No. 31, which is to improve the sight in one eye.

"After that I guess I'll give the boys with the halves a rest," says Mr. Fitzgerald.

# Colonising Of The Dominions Suggested To Solve British Crisis

## Senator Puts Plan Up To Churchill

Washington, Jan. 16. Senator Allen J. Ellender said today that millions of Britons should move out of Britain to solve their homeland's problems and gain a better living standard.

In a statement to the Press, the Louisiana Democrat, who recently returned from a tour of Europe and the Middle East, asked the British Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill, to tell Congress about Britain's economic status.

Senator Ellender had planned to make a Senate floor speech on this topic, but did not take the floor. At the end of the day, he issued his remarks in the form of a statement to the Press.

He also asked Mr. Churchill what was wrong with the "Ellender Plan" of colonising the Dominions from Britain.

American aid had not materially changed the economic situation of the British, he said. The answer to the economic problem was to reduce the population of the British Isles until the remaining citizens would be able to maintain a proper standard of living.

Those who moved to the Dominions, he said, could not only attain similar standards but could help develop the rich natural resources of the far-flung British Commonwealth of Nations.

Senator Ellender said Canada was far larger in area than the United States, with a population of only 13,000,000, and could support another 10,000,000 at least.

"Thousands of Britons now struggling in England could forget about austerity in the Union of South Africa," he continued. Proper irrigation could turn thousands of acres of Australia into farmland and Australia had great possibilities for hydro-electric expansion.

"A DEAD HORSE" "These and other members of the British Commonwealth abound in natural resources that are literally crying for development," he said.

"In 1940 I took the position that there was no more chance to revive the United Kingdom to its former economic status than there is to give life to a dead horse.

Nothing has happened since to change my mind. We have poured several billions of dollars into the aid to Britain programme. I see no indication today that this assistance has materially changed the economic situation of the British.

"England is an industrial country with antiquated machinery and inadequate resources. She must import most of her food and industrial raw materials."

Most Americans were sympathetic to the British and would like to see their economic problems solved, but he agreed

## Lizard Leaves £200

Durban, Jan. 16. Timmy, one of seven lizards which inherited £200 each under the will of 52-year-old Mrs. Marion Kellett, has died at the Durban S.P.C.A. After an autopsy has established the cause of death, Colonel Kellett, the widower, will inherit the £200 left by Timmy, by the terms of his late wife's will. But Colonel Kellett may have to wait many years for the rest of the inheritance, as the life span of this species of lizard is normally 12 years.—Reuter.

## REQUEST BY BRITAIN ON SUEZ CANAL

The Hague, Jan. 16. The Foreign Ministry today confirmed that, on the initiative of the British Government, informal talks were held in London with the Netherlands and Norway concerning the possibility of the two Western European countries lending technical assistance to keep shipping going through the Suez Canal.

The Foreign Ministry refused to make any comment and it seems no decision had been made so far. Political circles think the British request has put the Dutch in a difficult position.

There already have been difficulties with Cairo as Holland refused to address its new Minister's credentials to the "King of Egypt and the Sudan." Holland is participating in the Suez Canal Company and its shipping is vitally interested in undisturbed functioning of the Canal.

The Norwegian Government expects to answer the British request late this week or immediately over the week-end. Mr. Olaf Solummoen, Secretary of the Norwegian Prime Minister, Mr. Oscar Torp, said in Oslo today.

The Norwegian Foreign Office is studying the British request, he added. The examination would take some days as the Foreign Minister, Mr. Halvard Lange, considered the matter of great importance.

The Norwegian Communist paper "Frishten" has started a campaign against the British request, urging all Norwegians not to go to Suez.—United Press.

## New City In The Soviet

Moscow, Jan. 16. The newspaper Pravda reported that a new city called Kazandzhik is rising in the Turcomenia construction site of a canal which will link the Aral Sea with the Caspian.

It is the second new town in this area, making a total of six new industrial cities built in the last three years and connecting huge hydro-electric irrigation projects in various parts of the country.

It is also announced that construction has begun on Moscow's skyscraper No. 8 and that others are nearing completion. The new structure will have 32 floors in the administrative centre on the banks of the Moscow River, adjoining the Kremlin.

The other seven—a university, two apartment houses, two hotels and two office buildings—will probably be ready for occupancy by the end of 1952.—United Press.

## ROXY & BROADWAY

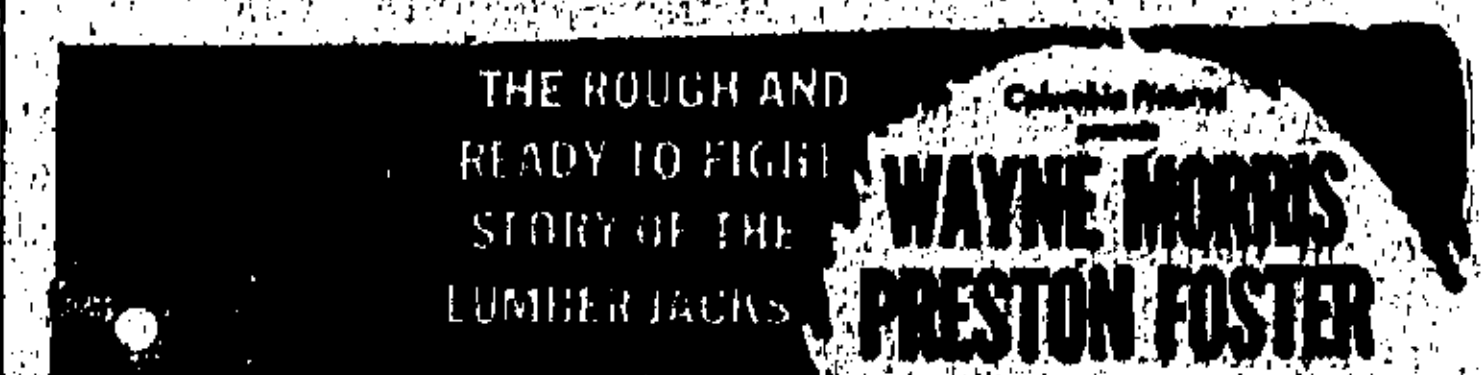
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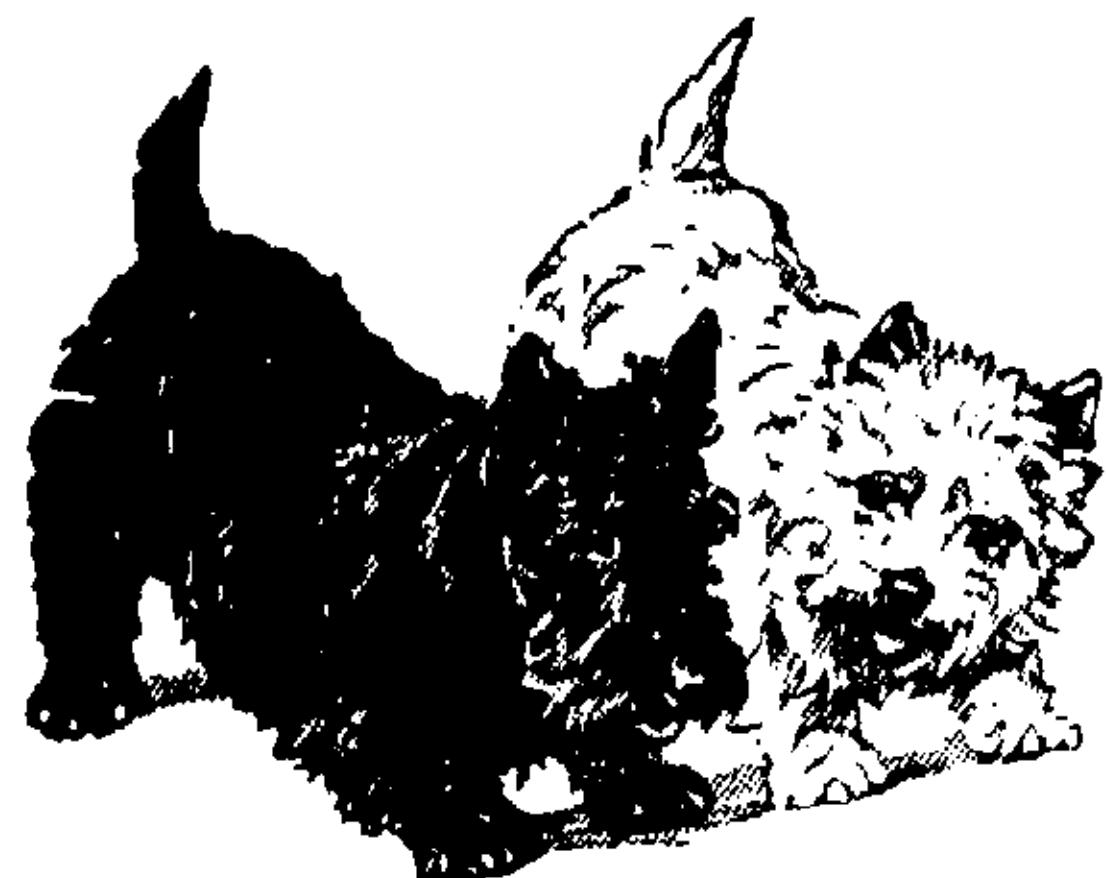
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# To His Supporters EISENHOWER IS AS GOOD AS ELECTED

By HENRY LOWRIE

Washington. To hear some Senators talk in Washington you would think that nothing could be surer than that General Eisenhower will be the next President of the United States.

Indeed so far as they are concerned he is practically elected. It seems the shilly-shallying that has been keeping America on tenterhooks for months is over.

It was not too easy to interpret the statement issued by Eisenhower at his SHAPE headquarters. But his supporters found it simple and straightforward.

Said Henry Cabot Jr., self-appointed manager of the "Eisenhower for President" campaign: "He will be nominated by the Republicans and will achieve an overwhelming victory at the election in November."

And then his enthusiasm for the man and his campaign carried him on: "This marks an historic moment in the history of our country. It means America will have the kind of inspired leadership it so urgently deserves."

And Senator Frank Carlson (Republican from Kansas), who long ago climbed aboard the Eisenhower bandwagon, said: "There is no doubt that Eisenhower will be nominated in July and elected in November. There is no question as to his Republicanism or his availability for Republican nomination."

And now that Eisenhower has eased that particular tension, another springs up. Will President Harry Truman run for re-election in opposition to the man he publicly admires? He called him "our greatest living American."

### No Indication

HE has given no indication, of course, and only the other day he said: "I have made up my mind and will say when the right time arrives what I will do."

Lots of Americans thought he was waiting for Eisenhower to make up his mind for him. They felt that if Eisenhower ran, Truman would not. And if he does not run, who is the likeliest Democrat to oppose Eisenhower?

The answer appears to be Estes Kefauver, 48-year-old, slow-speaking Senator from Tennessee, whose face is just as familiar to Americans as either Truman's or Eisenhower's because he headed the committee which grilled racketeers last year—and he did it all on TV.

Kefauver is holding off a definite announcement that he will accept the Democratic nomination, but Congressman Wayne Hays, one of his admirers, from Ohio, said that he would be nominated.

He added, to convince any sceptics: "I have been in politics for 20 years and you will have to assume I know what I am doing."

### First Hint

HE was asked what he would do if Truman decided he wanted to try for re-election, and replied: "I don't anticipate that contingency."

Eisenhower did not have to tell his bosses in Washington what he intended doing. They got their first hint of his willingness to be a candidate when they read his statement on the news tickers.

Eisenhower issued his statement to clear the air after Senator Lodge officially put his name in the race.

It said: "Under no circumstances will I ask for relief from this assignment in order to seek nomination for political office, and I shall not participate in the pre-convention activities of others who may have such an intention with respect to me. Of course, there is no question of the right of American citizens to organize in pursuit of their common convictions."

"I realize," said Senator Lodge and his associates are exercising this right in an attempt to place before me next July a duty that would transcend my present responsibilities. In the absence, however, of a clear-cut call to political duty, I shall

continue to devote my full attention to the performance of the vital task to which I am assigned."

And that, said Senator James Duff, Pennsylvania Republican, in Washington, "is a clear-cut declaration to his supporters that he will not let them down."

It was bad news for the Democrats. Several of them were surprised into "no comment" reactions.

Virginia Democrat Senator A. Willis Robertson went only a little further when asked for his reaction. He pursed his lips and said "Hmmm".

There was further consternation among them when the New York Times, usually pro-Democratic, and the Chicago Times announced they would lend their powerful support to Eisenhower.

### Tired, Grim

EISENHOWER has no great ambition to be President. He will run only because he thinks it is his duty and because there is sufficient demand by the American people.

There was no sign that he relished these activities when he left his office after making his statement. He looked tired and grim and flashed his famous grin for only a moment at photographers, to whom he wryly commented: "There is no shortage of film in the New Year, I see."

Immediately behind his statement—apart from months of careful deliberation—were seven hours of conferences with, among others, General Alfred Gruenther.

While Eisenhower has always been tagged the man most likely to succeed Truman, Gruenther is known as the man most likely to succeed Eisenhower. He has been his right-hand man in Paris, and he is the man like himself wants to take over when he finally comes back to the States for the hurly-burly of American politics which he has successfully avoided for so long.

## Syria—Middle East Question Mark

IT is unlikely that the name of Colonel Adib Shesheky means very much to the average Briton.

Yet the future activities of the colonel may mean a great deal, for Shesheky is the absolute ruler of a country which, by its geographical position alone, is of vital importance to our defence plans—the Arab state of Syria.

Syria is a key state in the Arab League.

Since its grant of independence from the French after the war, it has shown a sturdy independence from the activities of the League, although a member of it.

Traditionally, the Syrians dislike the League, but traditionally too, they dislike the Western powers. In the Arab League, they have found little love for Egypt.

When Egypt turned down the proposals for a Five-Power Middle East Command (consisting of Britain, the United States, France, Turkey and Egypt), the Western Powers looked hopefully to the other Arab states, asking them whether they would be prepared to associate themselves with it.

From Syria, more than from any other, they expected a favourable answer.

They very nearly got it.

Honest old Hussein Hakim, the Prime Minister, was definitely in favour of the plan, but his Foreign Minister, Faydi Atassi, was equally strongly opposed. The Cabinet split, and Hussein Hakim resigned.

Three weeks of intensive political negotiation followed, at the end of which Dr Marouf Dawabseh emerged as Prime Minister. The West was horrified.

Not only was Marouf unlikely to have any truck with the Command, he was well known for his pro-Russian views.

The West need not have worried. Marouf, despite his Parliamentary majority, had made one serious mistake. Instead of having a soldier as Minister of Defence, as was customary, he took that office himself.

The Army acted. Shesheky, the chief of staff, gave his orders, and within twenty-four hours, the new Ministers were in Damascus gaol.

Shesheky has now been in complete control since the coup on November 29. On December 3, he appointed his right-hand man, Fawzi Selou, Minister of Defence under Hussein Hakim, as Head of the State. But the worries of the Western Powers are not yet at an end.

For they do not know what Shesheky's political views are, whether he will favour the West or Egypt, and they do not know whether, if he does favour the West, he will be in power long enough to do anything effective.

For coup d'états are nothing new in Syria. Indeed, they have been happening with such

monotonous regularity that they are becoming a habit.

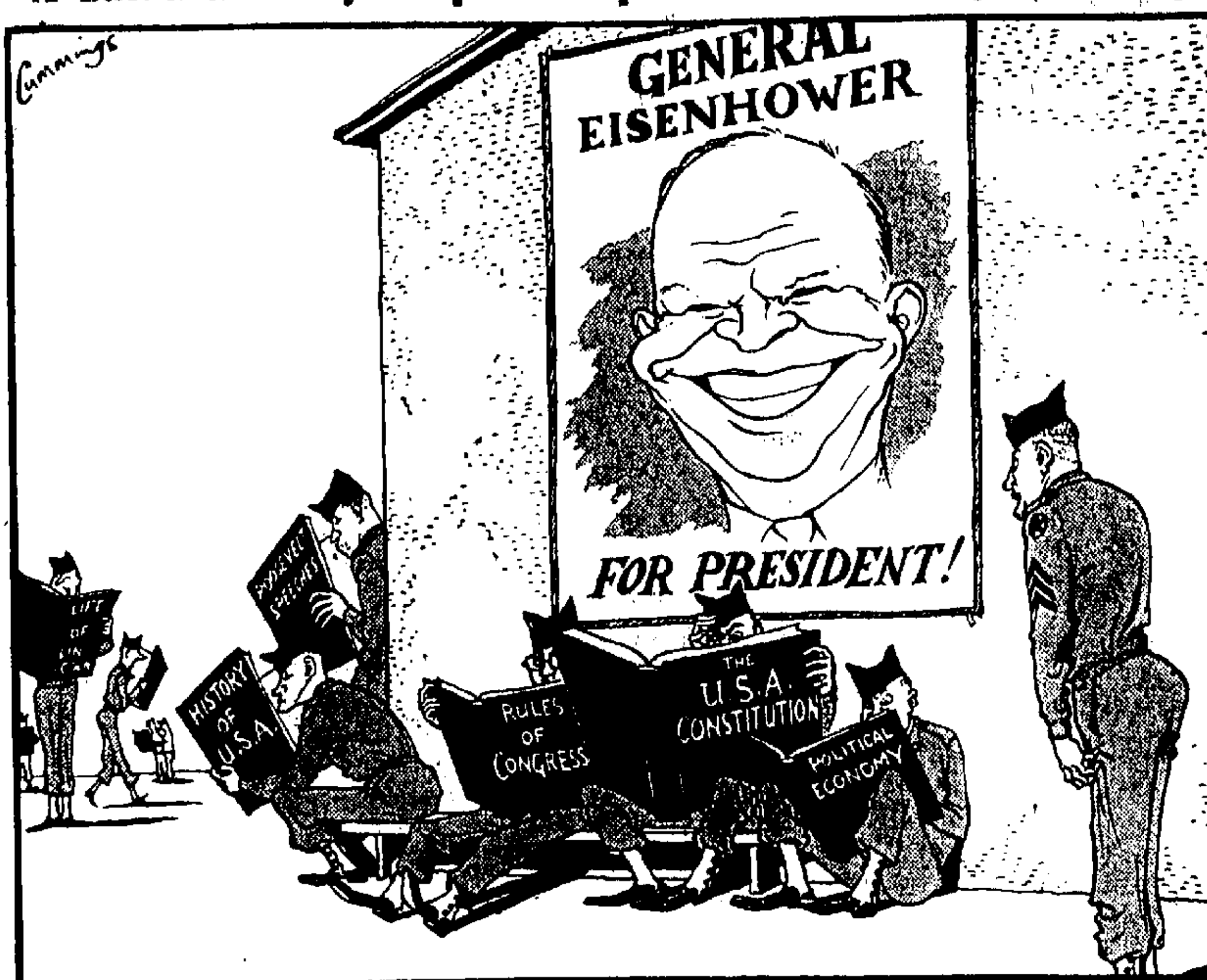
In December 1949, the supreme ruler of Syria, General Hinnawi, was deposed by his chief of staff, Colonel Shesheky, and spent some months in prison. Rather than be put to the expense of a public trial, Shesheky released Hinnawi and, by an odd coincidence, the deposed dictator was assassinated in Beirut shortly afterwards.

Having deposed Hinnawi, Shesheky retired to the less dangerous job of chief of staff, though he continued to wield considerable influence behind the scenes. From that obscurity, he has now emerged to become Syria's new military dictator.

But in view of past history, his expectation of life is not rated very high, and it is scarcely surprising that Syria forms a very large question mark on the troubled Middle Eastern scene.

PETER KIRK

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"May I trouble any future Presidents to do a little arms drill . . .?"

London Express Service

# I See So Many Stars That My Eyes Burn

HERE I am in this ephemeral city where, founded on make-believe and financed by far-sighted bankers, flourishes the fanciful phenomenon that is the motion-picture industry.

Having been whirled for two days and nights from Chicago—not a gangster in sight—through the vastness that is the Rocky Mountains and the cattle-studded plains of Wyoming, in the 100-mile-an-hour luxury, streamlined Union Pacific train "City of Los Angeles," I'm sitting amid bright sunshine, tropical palms, orange trees, and the swimming pool of my dreams in the famous Beverly Hills Hotel.

In and out of the hotel hall stroll movie stars whose attendance at a London premiere disorganised the traffic but here evokes no remark. They merely merge into the very expensive scenery.

Hollywood is not really Hollywood at all—not as we think we know it. It is but a small hard-working, and over-glamorised section of the 400 square miles that make up Los Angeles, where public transport is practically non-existent and everyone owns a car on the installment plan.

The movies add up to just another industry here, where radio, television, clothing, automobile, aeroplane, and other factories

deal in millions out of the limelight.

Near here, on Beverly Hills and Belair, dwell the 100,000-dollar-a-film stars with picture-book Hollywood houses and swimming pools, with meat at 10s. 6d. a lb, domestic servants who demand and get £1,000 a year, and daily helps who drive up in their own limousines.

Stars who suddenly become stars get bewildered. Their lives become a bed of neuroses.

Bob Hope, who, with Bing Crosby, is universally popular here, says: "On the screen we're a moving target; but when you meet us in person and there is something about us you don't like, brother, we're a sitting goose."

I have already met so many of the big stars that my eyes burn. They do not, as supposed, frivol until dawn. They work all day at the studio, go home to quiet evenings, and if they dine out, do so at their approved restaurants, like the famous Romanoffs, where I had lunch with Walter and Ruth Pidgeon, and where they are safely in bulk from the X-ray, and not always too kindly eyes of the columnists.

DANNY Kaye telephoned to me the moment I arrived. "I'll fetch you at seven, come and dine at my house. Just a simple meal."

Bang on the dot he erupted into the hotel, his head adorned by a tiny round cap, clad in sports shirt, khaki trousers, and a corduroy jacket. His wavy locks, so long the pride of London audiences, had vanished.

He had come straight from having a super "crew" haircut. "Had to do it for my new film, 'Hans Andersen,'" he explained. "My wife, Sylvia, hasn't seen it yet. Let's show her."

Mrs Kaye, a dark-eyed, clever woman whose immense reserve sets off her volatile husband's electric energy, took one look at Danny's cropped head and said: "You certainly do a thing when you do it, don't you?" and we went in to dinner.

Their house is off the great 23-mile-long Sunset Boulevard, spacious and the ultimate in comfort.

The decor is, by ex-film star

## Collie Knox In Hollywood

Bill Haines, who is now an interior decorator.

Danny showed me his own movie, in colour, of his recent trip to Korea to entertain the American and Commonwealth troops, and gave a running commentary.

He is not coming back to England for at least two years. "You have had enough of me for a while, I should imagine," he said modestly.

He owns a vast television set. "We never look at it," he said. Every sponsor in Hollywood would give his eye tooth to Danny for vision; but he, like the rest, is waiting to see which way this highly contentious cat jumps.

Determined to discover how the movies stand to cope with vision—there are seven programmes alone in Hollywood—I sought out the one man most likely to have the answer. He is Mr Dore Schary, 46-year-old production chief of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

Every top executive and star, even of the great rival corporations, respects him. When I told

Bing Crosby—charming and relaxed as ever—I had to dash away to keep an appointment, he said: "Got a date with Dore Schary? Let me touch you for luck."

In a beautiful room, from the windows of which I looked out on the 400 acres that comprise Metro's fabulous organisation, I met Mr Schary and liked him on sight.

"We are not worrying about vision, and I speak for the whole industry," he told me. "Let vision worry about us."

Mr Schary is definite that the only way to contend with vision is to make high-quality films.

He agrees with me that the great strength of vision lies in its actuality, on-the-spot monopoly.

"We can't compete with that," he said, "and we don't intend to try. The solution will probably be that every cinema will include with its big picture a 'vision' screening of a big fight, a world conference, or some important event as it is taking place."

MR SCHARY summed-up the whole situation very neatly: "We don't know that vision is already shaped to a pattern in the States. It will prove the same with you. A man buys a set. He stays away from his cinema for six weeks. He comes back and says he has heard a good movie is showing. He stays away for four weeks, then for two. And then comes to the movies, as before, every week. Vision is one more form of entertainment to be fitted into the pattern of family life."

Mr Schary's last words to me, before I was waved into another gleaming Cadillac, were: "Vision is here to stay. And so, Mr Knox, is the motion-picture industry."

Americans hourly continue to fascinate me. They test an Englishman by "ribbing" him, and then wait to see how he reacts. If he laughs, his are the keys of the city.

I have stopped counting the times executives and stars in Hollywood exclaim: "Collie? Cute name. You must be brother of Lassie." Haven't got the whole bunch of keys yet. It's quite a target.



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## NEW STAR IN ACTION



Kathleen Best, 19, of Wakefields, Yorkshire, who is a comparative newcomer to the higher ranks of table tennis, seen in play during the Metropolitan Open Championships at the Regent Street Polytechnic.

Kathleen who lost her job recently because she was keen to enter a tournament, has now been selected as a member of the Corbillion Cup team to play in Bombay next month. — Central Press Photo.

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The First Race will be run at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m. each day.

There are 8 races on the 1st Day and 8 races on the 2nd Day (16 in all).

Through Tickets (at \$32.00 each) may be obtained at the Comptroller's Office of the Club, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the First Day of the Meeting on 12th January, 1952, as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the "Peace Memorial Cup" scheduled to be run on 16th February, 1952.

Through Tickets received for this Meeting but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 11th January, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future meetings.

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Only a limited number of badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will be on sale at the Race Course.

The Branch Offices and the Treasurers' Comptroller Office will close at 11.00 a.m. on both days. The Secretary's Office will close at 11.45 a.m. each day. The Treasurers' Comptroller Office and the Secretary's Office are situated at 1st Floor, Telephone House.

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Owing to the congestion in the Members' Betting Hall and at Booths adjacent to Boxes in the Coffee Room, Box-holders and Members are requested to ensure that their servants make use only of the Public Betting Hall. Military Police will be posted at various points in the enclosure to ensure that this regulation is adhered to.

By Order

H. MISA

Secretary

## MACAO SOFTBALL TEAM TO VISIT THE COLONY AT CHINESE NEW YEAR

By "GRANDSTAND"

In addition to the interesting semi-finals of the Softball International Series which will be played off during the Chinese New Year holidays, it is understood from Charlie Figueiredo of the Braves that arrangements are in hand for a team from Macao to visit the Colony to take on the Junior League Rexes in a return encounter.

In a previous meeting several months ago when the barnstorming Rexes toured the Portuguese Colony, they registered a last inning noseout, and the coming tilt will give the Macao side a chance to even the score.

Most ball fans know Charlie Figueiredo as the canny mentor of the Braves, but behind his brief announcement there is a story of unselfish enthusiasm which is strictly off the record.

Together with Mario "Red" Pereira, also of the twice champions, Figueiredo's work behind the scenes has contributed much towards cementing the understanding between the softball enthusiasts of the two Ports.

The Macao Softball League, which is now in the third year of its organization, was originally inspired by the support given to them by Figueiredo and Pereira who made frequent week-end visits to Macao to confer with local leaders, giving needed help and advice whenever required.

The rapid strides covered by the Macao League may be gauged from the fact that the latest request through "Red" Pereira for details of the scoring system in use in Hong Kong, for the purpose of keeping permanent statistics of their activities. It is understood that this information is being despatched before the commencement of their new season. All our wishes for the best of luck goes with this.

Softball is not just a game for the players—it belongs to every

fan as well, as otherwise we could not have achieved the up-to-date successes. A partisan fan may be bitter in his denunciation of the opposing team—and even the arbiters of the game—but when it comes to giving a helping hand to others, he is not slow on the uptake.

During the off-season last year, when Figueiredo and Pereira arranged a mammoth excursion to Macao, over a hundred players and fans reacted spontaneously, and the proceeds of the two all-star games helped towards establishing the Shanghai Portuguese Athletic Association, who in turn are making their contribution to softball at Macao.

Softball is also making its effort towards the local Olympic Fund and there is no doubt that all support will be given to the effort which will take place during the Chinese New Year, when the total gate receipts will be donated to the worthy cause of enabling Hong Kong to be represented at Helsinki.

During the postwar years it has been taken for granted that

Portugal is supreme in both the Men's and Women's sections of this Series, but this year the Men's team will meet a strong challenge from either China or Great Britain, depending on who survives the semi-finals.

In the Ladies' division, China has not been able to build up to their prewar strength, but this year Britain may be able to garner their first International triumph—so thinks Les Castro who is in charge of the training of the British side.

Leslie is serious in his opinion, and although most of the players on his team are currently seeing plenty of action in the League games, he has called for a special "get together" session slated for Saturday at King's Park at 3.00 p.m.

All those who have been selected have been requested to turn out for this last practice before facing the crucial test in a fortnight's time.

Everything is not as rosy, however, as Castro would like to have it. Apparently several of his players have represented the Lusitanians in previous years, but having since been married, they have adopted the nationality of their spouses—or should it be spiced.

The Association's regulations bar changing from one side to another in consecutive years, but this ruling is interpreted by not a few as to cover the pre-marital status of a player.

This problem is likely to cause a lot of friction in the near future, and it is suggested that a complete understanding regarding the interpretation of the regulations be agreed upon before the Series begin.

The Senior "B" Division Baseballers, who have found difficulty in fielding a full team the recent outings, have now decided to withdraw officially from competition.

Their game scheduled for Sunday against the Warriors is, therefore, postponed, and it is understood that the Management Committee will take advantage of the free periods for playing off previously postponed games.

## SATURDAY

## Junior League

At 2 p.m. Ground A—P. J. Dodgers v 33 Bantams. (Umpires, G. Pang, R. Key, J.A. Reis. Scorer, M. Nunes).

At 2.30 p.m. Ground B—Blackhawks v Aces. (Umpires, J. Ribeiro, G. Pomeroy, G. Ribeiro. Scorer, J. Henriques).

## Ladies' League

At 3.30 p.m. Ground A—South China v Bantams. (Umpires, Steven Xavier, P. Morris, D. Rocha. Scorer, G. Pang).

## SUNDAY

## Senior "A" Division

At 11 a.m. Ground A—Jaguars v Hawks. (Umpires, J. Ribeiro, Don Robbins, Bill Doyle, R. Sequeira. Scorer, Virgil Ribeiro).

At 2 p.m. Ground A—Canadians v Madcaps. (Umpires, V.C. Mai, V.S. Liang, Wally Ma. Scorer, Hal Wingle).

Senior "B" Division  
At 9.30 a.m. Ground A—Red Sox v P. J. Dodgers. (Umpires, Bill Silva, Ed Loureiro, R. Nunes. Scorer, S. Slamy).

Junior League  
At 12.30 p.m. Ground A—Blue Sox v Hawks. (Umpires, Tom Kwok, Umbo Mose, L. Sequeira. Scorer, Ed Loureiro).

## LEAGUE STANDINGS

The latest league standings follow:

Senior "A" Division  
Won Lost Pct.  
Jaguars ..... 9 2 .818  
Bantams ..... 5 3 .625  
Hawks ..... 5 3 .625  
Pandas ..... 4 4 .500  
Madcaps ..... 4 4 .500  
Overseas ..... 4 4 .500  
South China ..... 2 6 .250  
Canadians ..... 0 7 .000

Senior "B" Division  
U.S. Navy ..... 8 1 .889  
Warriors ..... 7 2 .778  
Red Sox ..... 6 3 .667  
Bantams ..... 5 4 .556  
Jaguars ..... 3 7 .300  
Dodgers ..... 2 8 .200

Junior League  
Blackhawks ..... 10 0 1.000  
Hawks ..... 10 0 1.000  
Pandas ..... 8 2 .800  
Jaguars ..... 7 3 .700  
Aces ..... 6 4 .600  
Canadians ..... 5 5 .500  
Overseas ..... 4 6 .400  
Blue Sox ..... 3 7 .300  
Bantams ..... 2 8 .200  
Dodgers ..... 1 9 .111

Ladies' League  
South China ..... 8 0 1.000  
Bantams ..... 7 1 .875  
Hawks ..... 6 2 .750  
Jaguars ..... 5 3 .625  
Pandas ..... 4 4 .500  
Overseas ..... 3 5 .375  
Canadians ..... 2 6 .250  
Dodgers ..... 1 7 .125

## Home Soccer

## Results

London, Jan. 16.

The following were the Third Division (Southern) football games played today:

Southampton 1 Reading 2  
Bristol City 0 Bristol S. 0  
Plymouth Arg. 2 Norwich City 1  
Oxford United 1 Colchester 1

—Reporter

## READY FOR THE SWAYTHLING CUP



Harry Venner, who is one of England's Swaythling Cup table tennis team that plays in Bombay next month, seen in action during the Metropolitan Open Championships held at Regent Street Polytechnic, London.—Central Press Photo.

## Sportsman's Diary Applauds Australia, But Asks...

## Why Should One Player Be Allowed To Win A World Team Event?

As lawn tennis world champion, Frank Sedgman has certainly "arrived." Not since Henri Cochet, of France, achieved the feat back in 1931 has a player won a Davis Cup Challenge round off his own bat—without assistance from any-one except his doubles partner.

In 1931, two years before Britain captured the Cup, Henri Cochet won his singles against both Fred Perry and "Bunny" Austin and the doubles with "Toto" Brugnon against G. P. Hughes and C. H. Kingsley. Jean Borotra lost both his matches.

Now Sedgman has won his two singles, won also the double with Ken McGregor, while the other singles player, Mervyn Rose, was twice defeated.

Sedgman, now 24, has the tennis world at his feet. At the moment he holds only one major championship—that of the U.S.A. The Australian championship has yet to be played, and he failed at Wimbledon and in Paris I feel that he will not fail again.

## HOT FAVOURITE

It is seldom that a champion is equally good in singles and doubles. Even the great Tilden was not, nor was Perry Sedgman and McGregor have won their Davis Cup match and the Australian, French Wimbledon and U.S.A. titles as well.

He must come to Wimbledon in 1952 a hot favourite—if indeed he does arrive there, for rumours are afloat about an intention to turn professional.

Sedgman's triumph raises again the question whether a competition ought to be so framed that one man can win it. But the expense of travelling larger teams playing more matches, about the world would be so heavy that if numbers were expanded some of the weaker and poorer nations would have to drop out.

Anyhow, if any one nation can produce one or two great players their home influence is so strong that others follow in their wake, thus improving the national standard of play.

## GOLFING PROBLEM

Who is more valuable to a golf club—the professional who plays in big tournaments and faces the name of the club before the public or the stay-at-home professional, always there to look after members' interests and give coaching when needed?

This question is now agitating North Middlesex club, faced with the problem of appointing a successor to Tom Haliburn, who joins Wentworth next month.

One section favours the selection of the present assistant, Douglas Edgar. Another want a player of tournament repute, such as Haliburn, arguing that they consider this necessary for a club of their standing.

A compromise might be a tournament leader who has reached the age when he is thinking it wiser to cut his appearances and devote more attention to a club post.

## CLUB CRICKET RECRUIT

There is a welcome addition to club cricket in the South—London's New Zealand cricket club.

The club will play as a wandering side. Already many first-class New Zealand cricketers have promised support. They include Test players W. B. Merritt and C. E. Blythe, and the Warwickshire players Tom Pritchard and D. P. Taylor.

Rugby will be well represented in the new club. T. U. Wells, the Cambridge full-back and cricket Blue, Ian Botting and Dr. Ron Elvidge, captain of the last All Black team to tour South Africa, will be available.

Sponsors feel that the club will provide not only the opportunity for New Zealanders living in Britain and their friends to enjoy a game of cricket, but also a playing liaison between the

game in England and in New Zealand.

Cricket associations in New Zealand will have a point of contact for any of their members visiting Britain. The sponsors also hope to maintain contact with English amateur and professional cricketers who have served the game in New Zealand in the past as players and coaches, or on the administrative side.

(London Express Service)

## NANKEVILLE SEEKS HIS REVENGE

Olympic year, Helsinki only just over six months away—and Great Britain hoping to do better than ever before in the world's greatest quadrennial sports meeting.

Among the brightest hopes, of course, is Roger Bannister, the ex-Oxford miller, runner of last year's two fastest miles (4 mins. 8.3 secs. at Philadelphia; 4 mins. 7.8 secs. in the AAA championships at the White City).

"Jolly Roger" has so captured the public imagination that almost everyone you meet is talking about the 1,500 metres, the Olympics classic race, as being "Bannister's Benefit."

There is, however, one important dissentient from this point of view, and he is none other than the man from whom Bannister took the three A's title—Bill Nankerville.

Nankerville believes that he lost the mile at the White City through watching the wrong man—John Parlett, with whom he has trained so much that his style is an open book to the European 800 metres champion.

He certainly ran an ill-judged race for, as it reported at the time, "Towards the tape Nankerville made up a lot of ground, and at the finish seemed to have more running left in him than Bannister had. But that was his fault." Bill finished perhaps three-quarters of a second behind Bannister.

For the rest of the season Nankerville entered every athletics meet where there was the remotest possibility of his getting his "revenge" on Roger. But—no dice. They haven't clashed since last July.

## AN OMEN

Heightening the intense personal rivalry between the two is the fact that all the publicity has gone to the former Oxford blue, while the ex-market gardener, who is now a sports salesman, has been relegated to the role of "just another runner."

In many ways this recalls the 1880 Olympic Games, in Berlin, when there was the same sort of rivalry between Sydney Wooderson and the late "Great" Jack Lovelock.

On that occasion, Wooderson had an injured ankle, and was eliminated in a heat, and a link with those days is provided by

## INTER-COUNTRY CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP

London. J. H. Peters, the British Marathon Champion, who won the Essex Cross-Country Championship in January, is in the Essex County team for the Inter-County Seven Miles Cross-Country Championships, being place at York on January 18.

F. R. Lloyd, a man, an Oxford Blue and the 1948 mile three-quarter champion, who won the Essex County team for the Inter-County Seven Miles Cross-Country Championships, being place at York on January 18.

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B. MELLOR, Registrar.

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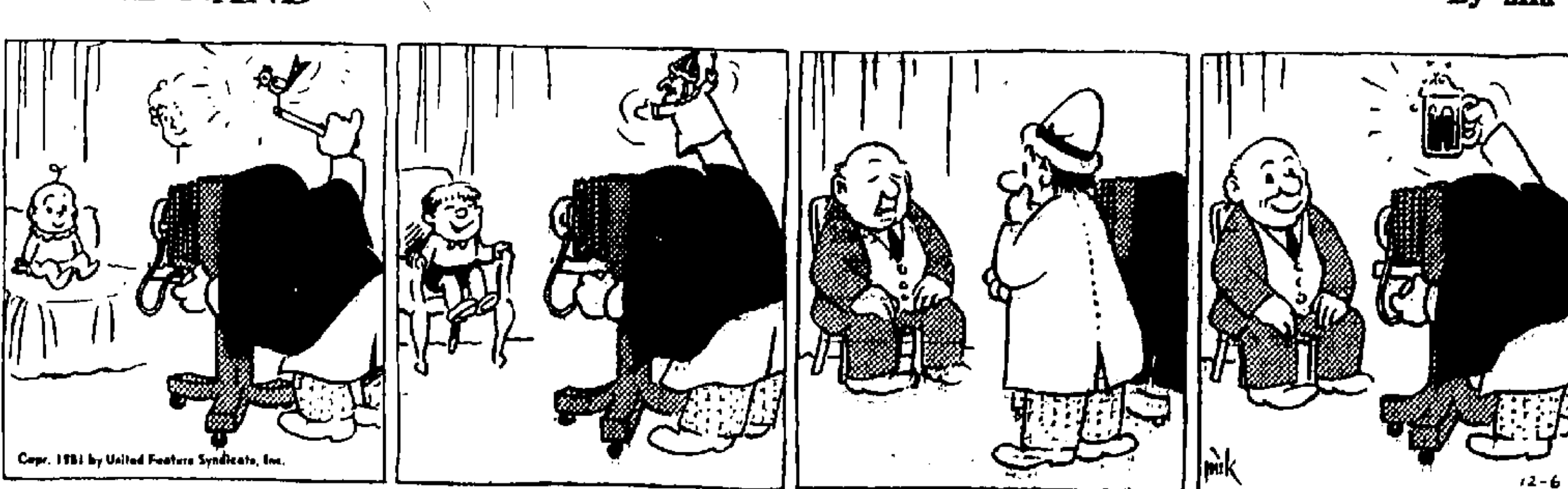
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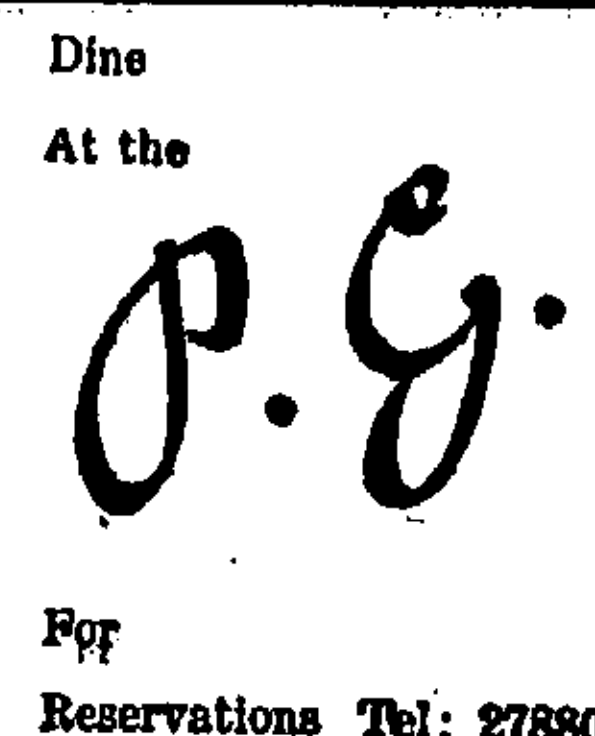
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## Secretary Is Accused Of Knifing Boss

London, Jan. 16. A married woman secretary who said she had been living with her employer in his office, was accused of wounding him with a knife.

The woman, 48-year-old Margaret Day Haslam, told Newcastle magistrate the office in Osborne-road, Newcastle, had been their home for five months.

She had been looking after it while her employer, Frederick George Woodhall, a builder, was on holiday in Scotland. When Woodhall returned he went to the office with his wife. He said Haslam called him names and his wife slapped her face. Haslam picked up a knife and said she would kill him. He took it from her and in doing so cut his finger.

Haslam told the magistrate: "I didn't know when he was leaving me that he was going to take his wife up to Scotland."

The chairman, Mr. R. Houston, who remanded Haslam on bail, told her: "After hearing this tragic case we feel much more inclined to help you than to punish you."

## Two Die As They Step From Boat

London, Jan. 16. Forty-year-old Mayvyn Davies, of Loughor, Glamorgan, took his nephew, 12-year-old Ronald Thomas, on a cockle fishing trip in Loughor Estuary. But as they stepped from their boat on to the sands there was an explosion — and both were killed. Police were trying to find what caused the explosion.

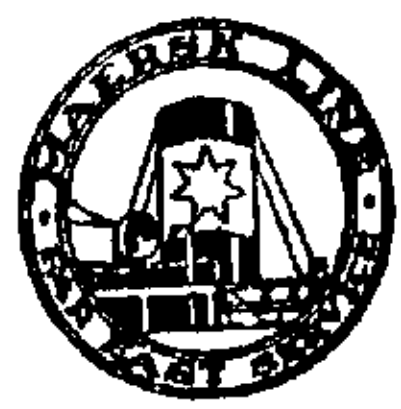


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## Philippines Views On Reparations Talks With Japan

Manila, Jan. 16.

Hope that the Japanese in their own interests will be willing to go beyond the wording of article 14 in settling reparations with the Philippines was expressed today by Foreign Affairs Secretary Joaquin M. Elizalde.

Article 14 provides that Japan may enter into discussions with claimant nations for reparations payments in "skills and services" of the Japanese.

## Celluloid Factory For India

Tokyo, Jan. 16.

The Japan Celluloid Company and an Indian firm are pushing preparations for the establishment of a joint celluloid processing company in Bombay.

The plan was undertaken because of the present circumstances under which Japan is experiencing great difficulties in exporting celluloid and celluloid ware into the Indian markets.

Japanese exports of celluloid are at present hindered by the high import tariff the Indian Government imposes—15 per cent on sheet celluloid and 35 per cent on celluloid, although India offers a good market for celluloid.

The plan encompasses the following points: (1) of the joint company's capital, half will be paid in kind by the Japan Celluloid Company which, according to agreement, will offer processing machinery and technicians; secondly it will process only sheet celluloid of the Japanese Celluloid Company; thirdly its initial processing capacity will be somewhere around 100 tons per month; and, fourthly, it will start operations around April.

Meanwhile, it was said that the Japanese Celluloid Company expected to receive more inquiries along a similar line from Pakistan, and that if the Bombay project proves profitable, it will go ahead with the establishment of more celluloid processing factories in India and Pakistan.

In that event, it was further pointed out, Japanese sheet celluloid makers whose monthly capacity at present approximates 500 tons, would be kept extremely busy.—France Press.

The new Foreign Affairs Secretary in his first interview said that as matters stand at present, he can only hope that the Philippines Senate will ratify the peace treaty which the administration signed last September in San Francisco.

A great deal will depend upon the attitude of the Japanese delegation which is due here on Jan. 25 for exploratory talks on the reparations problem, Mr. Elizalde said.

Since neither the United States nor the Philippines has ratified the treaty as yet, he said, the discussions with the Japanese delegation will be informal and preliminary. The agenda for the discussions had not been well defined in the communications, thus far between the two governments.

"I don't believe it will be impossible for Japan to go beyond the wording of article 14 of the treaty," commented Mr. Elizalde. "The future advantages that would result for Japan in the way of trade and good relations with her Pacific neighbour, if she takes a liberal view of the reparations clause of the treaty, are so great that she cannot afford to overlook them."

### STARTING POINT

Mr. Elizalde said that the Philippines would use as a starting point its claim for \$5,000,000,000. He said: "We have to have a starting point and that is the one the experts have arrived at."

But the Secretary hinted that the Philippines position was not adamant and that a compromise could be reached. If the Japanese showed willingness, he was not expecting any help from the United States in dealing with Japan on the reparations settlement.

As for Japan's capacity to pay reparations, Mr. Elizalde said he had already made a confidential report to President Elpidio Quirino on this matter as a result of his visit to Japan last autumn. He could not divulge his views until the President released his report.—Associated Press.

# BRITAIN AND COLONIES

Economist Expresses Critical Views

## Continued Accumulation Of "Unspendable" Sterling

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

A critical view of the Colonies' position in relation to the present Commonwealth finance talks in London is given today by the noted West Indian economist, Professor W. Arthur Lewis.

In a feature article in the Financial Times he points out the disadvantage to certain Colonies of continued accumulation of "unspendable" Sterling balances and predicts that they will go on rising throughout this year and next.

This will happen, he says, because the Colonies have no direct representation at the present Commonwealth finance talks and therefore have not the opportunity of "directing their searchlight upon those British policies which prevent them getting an adequate supply of manufactures from Britain."

Professor Lewis points out that the Colonies are the only group of territories whose Sterling balances increase all the time. "Britain talks of Colonial development," he goes on, "but on the contrary it is the African and Malayan peasants who are putting capital into Britain."

"For the first time since Free Trade was adopted in the middle of the 19th century the British Colonial system has become a major means of economic exploitation."

This result was not intended. No Englishman desired to exploit the Colonies. To those who realised what was happening the present system was a cause of shame. It was the unforeseen and unintended result of domestic economic policies which had kept Great Britain insolvent since the end of the war.

Professor Lewis says the disadvantage of the inconvertibility of Sterling to hard currency earning Colonies is obvious. Without exchange control they lose nothing by membership of the Sterling Area and gain from the free movement of capital.

### WORSE OFF

But since 1945 they have been clearly worse off than they would be outside the Sterling Area.

However, it is not the case with those Colonies who would be selling their produce for Sterling whether they were in the Sterling Area or not—which is probably the majority, he continues.

They would still be earning inconvertible Sterling, would still have to spend it on British goods and would still have to accumulate unspendable balances.

The way to make Sterling convertible and stop further accumulation of balances, Professor Lewis says, is to make British manufactures available in such quantities and at such prices that they displace dollar manufactures both in and outside the Sterling Area.

### NO CASE

The method which appealed most to Great Britain was the alternative method of imposing cuts on dollar purchases so that Sterling holders are forced either to buy expensive British goods or accumulate still more Sterling.

This was the debtors' case; the creditors could hardly be expected to accept it. "There is no case for cutting the Colonies' imports," Professor Lewis concludes. "The Colonies are exporting far more than they need and are building up large balances. They cannot get all the imports they need, especially capital goods, and their development programmes are in consequence retarded."

"They are, in effect, paying Britain for goods which she does not deliver. Must their sacrifices be imposed on them?"

## Meat Rationing In Argentina?

Buenos Aires, Jan. 16.

Meat rationing in Argentina, the world's greatest exporter of meat, is proposed for the first time in the country's history.

The food caterers' union has recommended to the Ministry of Industry and Commerce that all hotels, restaurants and other food establishments throughout the country should have one meatless day a week. The recommendation referred to the desirability of varying the national diet and made no mention of shortages.—Reuter.

### Bank Quotations

New York, Jan. 16.  
Closing bank quotations:  
Bank of America, 100 1/2  
Chase National Bank, 100 1/2  
National City Bank, 100 1/2  
Associated Press.

## HONGKONG SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

The volume of business done on the Stock Exchange this morning was valued at \$323,850. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

### SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

HSBC	1570	6 @ 1580
INSURANCES	780	
Union	5 5/10	
Underwriters	101	
DOCKERS ETC.	7 4500 @ 6.80	
N. Pt. Wharf	6.80	300 @ 6.85

Dock	17 1/2	
Provident	13.25 12 1/4	
Shui Dock	2 1/2	
Wharfedale	39 3/4	500 @ 38 1/4
		1000 @ 39
		500 @ 39

LAND, ETC.		
HK Hotel	5.50	500 @ 5.85
HK Land	54 1/2	200 @ 54 1/2
		80 @ 54 1/2
		100 @ 54 1/2

Shai Land	1 1/4	140 3000 @ 1.50
Humphreys	13.80 14 1/4	2500 @ 14
UTILITIES		
P. Light	17.10 17.25	600 @ 17.10
P. Light (O)	23 1/2	
C. Light	8.75 8.80	644 @ 8 3/4
		1600 @ 8 3/4
		1000 @ 8 3/4

C. Light (N)	5.50	
Electric	23 23 1/2	100 @ 23 1/2
		500 @ 23 1/2
		500 @ 23 1/2

F. P. (Bonus)	21 1/4	
Telephone	15 15 1/4	
Cement	16 1/2	17 100 @ 16 1/2
Rope	28 1/2	
STOCKS, ETC.		
Dairy	16.20	1800 @ 16 1/2
		2500 @ 16 1/2
Watson	27	
C. Crawford	33 36	
MISCELLANEOUS		
Yangtze	4.10	1000 @ 4.10

## Foreign Exchanges In NY

New York, Jan. 16.

Canada	US\$95.90
England—official	2.28-3/16
unofficial	2.24 bid-asked
30-day futures	2.27 1/2
60-day futures	2.27 1/2

Australia	2.78 1/2
Belgium	1.45 1/2
Denmark	1.022-9/16
France	1.48 1/2
West Germany	1.105 1/2
Holland	1.405
Italy	1.070
Norway	1.020
Portugal	1.020
Spain	1.020
Sweden	1.020
Switzerland	2.291

### MIDDLE EAST

Egypt	2.81
Iran	2.81 1/2
Turkey	3.575

### LATIN AMERICA

Argentina	0.705
Brazil	0.500
Bolivia	0.410
Colombia	0.405
Cuba	1.190
Peru	0.850
Uruguay	0.400
Venezuela	2.505

### FAR EAST

India	2.80
Pakistan	2.80
Hongkong	1.150
Indonesia	1.150
Singapore	3.330
Japan	268 yen to US\$1

—United Press.

### Exchange Rates

Eighteen was done in the local international exchange market this morning at the following rates:  
US dollar (per 100) 1.48 1/2  
Sterling (per 100) 1.48 1/2  
Australian (per 100) 1.48 1/2  
New Zealand (per 100) 1.48 1/2  
Singapore (per 100) 1.48 1/2  
—United Press.

### Copra Quotation

New York, Jan. 16.  
Copra was quoted today at 11 1/2 cents a pound, asked.—United Press.

London, Jan. 16.

Commonwealth finance talks in relation to the present

## Quiet Day In Cotton Futures

New York, Jan. 16.

Cotton futures were steady in quiet trading today. Mill and export buying, along with persistent short covering, led to early gains extending to better than \$1 a bale. The market later reacted partially on profit-taking.

The Census Bureau reported December domestic cotton consumption at 672,715 bales which was about in line with trade expectations. The latest C.C.C. statistics showed that cotton loans for the week ended January 10 totalled 11,514 bales, while repurchases from the loan were 33,639 bales.

Traders did not find anything unusual in the President's economic message to Congress in which he again asked for Government authority to control margins on commodity markets and called for repeal of the flexible provisions in the Farm Price Support Law.

Futures closed 30 cents a bale higher to 10 cents lower than the previous close.

March	42.20
May	41.97
July	41.75
October	41.50
March	38.83
May	38.57
July	38.44
October	38.44

Middling spot 43.05 nominal. Unchanged.—Associated Press.

### NEW ORLEANS MARKET

New Orleans, Jan. 16.

Cotton futures closed 5 to 20 cents a bale lower.

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October	41.50
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October	38.44

Spot cotton closed unchanged. Middling 42.10.—Associated Press.

### Grain Prices

Chicago, Jan. 16.

Grains held to a fairly steady course despite a monetary mid-day dip on the Board of Trade today. Ground lost on the short-lived slide was partly recovered later.

Export sales helped wheat. Record chicken production was a factor in a steady trend for corn. Oats lagged behind other cereals on fears that price ceilings might be imposed. Most soybean contracts had an easier tone, but January held firm.

Wheat closed 1/4-1/2 higher. Corn was unchanged to 1/4 higher. Oats were 1/4 lower to 1/2 lower. Soybeans were 1/4 lower to one cent higher.

### WHEAT

March	\$2.85 1/2
May	\$2.85 1/2
July	\$2.85 1/2
September	\$2.85 1/2

### SOYBEANS

January	\$2.00 1/2
March	\$2.00 1/2
May	\$2.00 1/2
July	\$2.00 1/2
September	\$2.00 1/2
November	\$2.00 1/2

—Associated Press.

### America Facing

Competition

Washington, Jan. 16.

The National Federation of American Shipping said today that the United States merchant fleet is facing increased foreign competition.

The Federation reported that 14 countries which possessed merchant ships prior to 1945 had now a total of 2,371,300 deadweight tons sailing at the high seas.

Even land-locked Switzerland now owns more than 100,000 deadweight tons of merchant ships, the report said.—United Press.

### JAPANESE BONDS

London, Jan. 16.

Japanese 4 1/2 (1955)	4 1/2
Japanese 4 1/2 (1960)	4 1/2
Japanese 4 1/2 (1965)	4 1/2
Japanese 4 1/2 (1970)	4 1/2
Japanese 4 1/2 (1975)	4 1/2
Japanese 4 1/2 (1980)	4 1/2
Japanese 4 1/2 (1985)	4 1/2
Japanese 4 1/2 (1990)	4 1/2

—United Press.

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"TITJALANKA" Feb. 10th Singapore, Djakarta, E. & S. Africa & S. America

"TASMAN" Feb. 10th Japan Ports

"TILUWAB" Feb. 13th Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

"TIBODAS" Feb. 14th Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli

"TASMAN" Feb. 27th Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

"TIBODAS" Feb. 28th Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli

"TILUWAB" Mar. 5th Singapore, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & S. America

"BOISSEVIN" Mar. 15th Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli

"VAN HEUTZ" Mar. 24th Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

"TITJALANKA" Mar. 31st Singapore, Penang & Belawan Deli

"TILUWAB" Apr. 15th Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

"STRAAT MALAKASSAR" Apr. 19th Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & S. America

"TIBODAS" Apr. 30th Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

"TILUWAB" May 15th Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

"TEGELBERG" May 17th Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa & S. America

ARRIVALS From

"TITJALANKA" Jan. 15th Macassar, Surabaya, Semarang, Djakarta & Singapore

"TIBODAS" Jan. 23rd S. America, Africa, Singapore & Manila

"TITJALANKA" Feb. 5th Japan

"TASMAN" Feb. 8th Penang, Belawan Deli & Singapore

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## EGYPT CELEBRATES BIRTH OF SON AND HEIR TO FAROUK

Cairo, Jan. 16. Egypt celebrated with artillery salutes and popular demonstrations all day the birth of a son and heir to King Farouk and his young Queen, Narriman.

The 31-year-old monarch proudly instructed his government to announce to "both parts of the Nile Valley, North and South, and to the rest of the world, the birth of Crown Prince Ahmed Fuad."

## General Percival Looks Back On Malaya

London, Jan. 16. Lt-Gen. A. E. Percival said today that General Sir Gerald Templer's appointment as Supreme Commander in Malaya confirmed the views he expressed ten years ago when Britain was fighting a losing battle against the Japanese.

The 65-year-old General, who surrendered Singapore to the Japanese General Yamashita on February 15, 1942, was slightly quizzical when asked to give an opinion on the appointment. "In the Malaya campaign of 1942, difficulties arose from the complicated machinery of government, comprising as it did a large number of separate administrations. Now, after ten years, this is a matter which is at least receiving the attention of the British government."

## Bickerings Postpone Crucial Talks

Paris, Jan. 16. European bickerings which have frustrated agreement on rearmament and the formation of a united European continental defence force resulted today in a two weeks' postponement of the crucial Lisbon meeting of the North Atlantic Council.

France requested the delay in an attempt to rally its partners behind a draft treaty agreement on a European Army for General Dwight Eisenhower.

France had hoped to present a concrete plan to the Lisbon meeting. The postponement was made known in a brief announcement by Mr. Lester Pearson, Canadian Minister of Foreign Affairs and President of NATO Council.

## UN And Sudan Plebiscite

Paris, Jan. 16. A member of the Sudanese delegation, now in Paris, today told the press he had asked some "friendly delegations" to take up in the United Nations the question of holding a plebiscite in Sudan.

The proposal calling for a plebiscite was made by the Egyptian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Farouk el-Diabi.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Cut the griping! Do you want your mother to follow you around to do your cooking?"

## US Planning New Disarmament Proposals To UN

Paris, Jan. 16. The United States announced today it will have important new proposals to make to the United Nations Disarmament Commission when it begins its work.

The U.S. delegate, Mr. Ernest A. Gross made this announcement in a speech urging the UN Political Committee to send the new Russian atomic proposals to the Disarmament Commission. He did not specify what the new U.S. proposals would be.

A spokesman said the proposals would be contained in the first of a series of papers on atomic control and conventional arms which the U.S. will present to the commission. The new group must start its work before February 10, probably in New York.

In his speech, Mr. Gross also called on the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Vyshinsky, to keep hands off the Korean truce talks now going on at the front. Mr. Gross declared the talks have slowed since Vyshinsky first referred to them here, and added:

"If there is a relationship between these two facts, then silence by the Soviet delegate might constitute a positive contribution to the end of the fighting in Korea."

The American delegate also probed to find whether Mr. Vyshinsky's new proposals were "a step backward or a step forward."

He said the Political Committee was hardly the place for a full discussion of the plan and it should be thoroughly studied by the Disarmament Commission.

But, he added, it would be useful to know just what the Soviet Union visualized by "simultaneous" outlawing of the atomic bomb and placing into effect international atomic control.—Associated Press.

## Franco-Churchill Meeting Urged

Madrid, Jan. 16. The belief that Britain would eventually understand the present rapprochement between the United States and Spain was expressed today by the Duke of Devonshire, Spanish Ambassador to the Court of St. James.

On the eve of his return to his post in London after spending Christmas holidays here, the Ambassador had warm words of praise for the courage and deep political knowledge of the British people. He supported the hope that an interview between General Franco and Mr. Churchill might be arranged in the not-too-distant future.—United Press.

## LEGAL BATTLE ON DEATH PENALTY IN HONGKONG

### Crown Argues That Authority Cannot Be Enquired Into

Arguments by the Crown were continued before the Full Court this morning on the legal issue of whether or not Section 116 A (1) of the Emergency Regulations, which carries the death penalty for unlawful possession of hand grenades, bombs or mines, is ultra vires, null and void.

The hearing is before the Chief Justice (Sir Gerard Howe), Mr. Justice Gould and Mr. Justice Scholes.

Mr. Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Wilkinson and Crist, is appearing for To Lam-sin, 25, indicted for possession of four hand grenades in connection with the robbery at the Sin Hua Bank in Marine House last September.

The Hon G. E. Strickland, KC (Acting Attorney General), who addressed the Court for several hours yesterday in reply to points raised by Mr. Bernacchi, concluded his submissions this morning immediately after which Mr. J. Reynolds (Acting Solicitor-General) continued with another aspect of the Crown's case.

Mr. Strickland said that in the absence of any allegation of bad faith—and there could be none and no ground for such an allegation—the Court could not possibly enquire into the question of any grounds for an Order made by the Governor-in-Council and would have to come to the conclusion that a state of emergency existed. The authorities cited said Mr. Strickland, proved that the nature of the discretion so vested could not be enquired into by the Courts.

The Attorney General submitted that it was clear in the Ordinance that the Governor did not possibly hold that a proclamation was a necessary precedent to the Order.

Mr. Strickland, in conclusion, said that the recital contained the words "In exercise of powers conferred on, etc." and that indicated that the Governor did consider all the circumstances before making the Order.

### LEGAL ADVICE

Mr. Reynolds said that the submission which he would make was that even if section 2 of the Emergency Regulations Ordinance was ultra vires the powers of the local legislature as such, His Majesty the King had assented to it and had not exercised his power of disallowance. The enabling Ordinance was enacted in 1920 and it had been amended twice since and both occasions were notified in the Government Gazette, the last being dated August 8, 1950.

The legal advisers to the King had therefore considered this Ordinance on no less than three occasions and on the last two occasions they considered it in connection with amendments made to section 2 which Mr. Bernacchi now said was ultra vires, Mr. Reynolds added.

There was no doubt that the power of the local legislature to legislate was to some extent limited as was indicated by the Attorney General but what he (Mr. Reynolds) wished to consider was the effect of the known exercise of the Crown's power of disallowance of an Ordinance which is ultra vires the powers of the local legislature as such. The Crown's right of disallowance was not an executive act; it was a legislative act.

In some respects the power of disallowance was the same as that of repeal of an Ordinance. Even then, he said, it was his submission that it was clearly a legislative act.

### CROWN MAY LEGISLATE

The Crown may legislate for the Colony in a number of ways, under the Charter, the Letters Patent or by Order-in-Council and to some extent by exercising its authority under Article 20 of the Letters Patent, which allowed the Crown to amend or revoke the Letters Patent themselves.

Mr. Reynolds submitted that the sovereign power of legislation in the Colony was vested in the Crown, and the Crown exercised its power of disallowance.

### Living Language

Why we say To curry favour.

This phrase has a long and tangled history. "Curry" comes from two words, the Latin "cum" meaning with, and the old French "roi" meaning array. The French word "fauve" means fawn or chestnut-coloured, and the name "Favell" was often given to a horse. "To curry favour" was therefore to dress or rub down a horse. However, the phrase also began to mean "to flatter" because of a confusion with the Latin "fabula," a tall story, and "to curry fabula" was to dress up a lot of flattery in favour of the person you wanted to please.

## New Battle Jacket To Stop Bullets

Washington, Jan. 16. A new cloth battle jacket which has stopped .45 calibre bullets at point blank range will be tested by combat troops in Korea, the Army said today.

The new jacket is made of laminated nylon. It contains no metal. Toughness results from many layers of durable nylon, one atop the other.

The sleeveless garment reaches only to the waist and weighs eight pounds. In Army tests, the jacket resisted a .45 calibre bullet at point blank range, stopped practically all fragments from a grenade bursting three feet away and stopped 75 per cent of the fragments from a mortar burst at a distance of 10 feet.

The Army said the new jacket may reduce the battle casualties considerably and protect body areas shown by Korean battle studies to be most susceptible to serious wounds.

The Army said 1,400 of the jackets will be sent to Korea within the next few weeks for issue to a regiment of combat infantry troops. The jacket is still in the development stage and is not available for issue to troops except for test purposes.—United Press.

## Salvation Army Leader "Distressed"

London, Jan. 16. Mrs. Mary Bramwell Booth, daughter of the famous General Booth and leader of the Salvation Army, is "distressed" about the methods of teaching sex matters to children, advocated by some modern educationists in Britain.

In an article published by the journal of the British Magistrates' Association, she says that children of 10 are too young for this instruction. She felt most strongly that sex teaching should never be given to children in groups and added: "This must inevitably result in destroying modesty, one of the most powerful safeguards of youth, which is rarely fully developed at ten in the majority of children."

"To speak of sex in a school class, with the playground waiting for the crowd to assemble and talk together is, I am sure, most hurtful."

This well-known Salvation Army leader, herself the mother of seven children, continued: "Teaching of sex to young children in the United States has been tried with most evil results, and the policy there is being changed."

"From my experience with my own children, and with thousands of young women when I initiated and controlled the women's social work of the Salvation Army, I am more than ever positive that the family is the place for the teaching and training of young children."—Reuter.

## SOAPY WATER IS GOOD FOR PLANTS! USE BATH SURPLUS IN THE GARDEN. WATER IS PRECIOUS

## BID TO FORM NEW CABINET

Paris, Jan. 16. The Radical Socialist leader, Edgar Faure, tonight accepted President Vincent Auriol's invitation to go before the National Assembly and ask its support in forming a government.

Faure's decision, which followed four days of exhaustive talks with the leaders of all parties except the Communists, came despite his failure to get a positive assurance of support from the powerful Socialist Party.

It meant that the 43-year-old "Traditionalist" is now officially charged with the task of forming a government—the first of six men invited by President Auriol to reach that point.

It is the closest any one has yet come to solving the crisis which has left France without government at a time when top-level international conferences on Western European defence are only a month away.

Faure will go before the Assembly at 3 p.m. tomorrow in an attempt to get the necessary constitutional majority which would give him the go-ahead to form a cabinet.—United Press.

## Junk Caught With Petrol

Pleading guilty to four charges of failing to take out a licence for his motor junk, being underway without a certificated engineer, carrying dangerous goods and leaving port without clearance papers, Li Yip, 40, was fined a total of \$487 by Mr. T. B. Low at the Marine Court this morning.

Defendant, who said he was en route to Chinese territory, was intercepted in Sai Kung Harbour on Tuesday afternoon. He left Aberdeen the same day and on board his boat were found 70 gallons of petrol.

## Radio Hongkong

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